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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL S. N. COMPANY.

MAIL SERVICE.

LIST OF DEPARTURES FROM BOMBAY FOR MARSEILLES & LONDON WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT BRINDISI AND MALTA.

Date of Sailing.	Steamer.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with	Tons.
1912				
27th Jan.	OCEANA	7000	—	—
3rd Feb.	SALSETTE	6000	MALWA	11000
10th "	CHINA	8000	—	—
17th "	SALSETTE	6000	MANTUA	11000
24th "	EGYPT	8000	—	...
2nd Mar.	MACEDONIA	10500	—	...
9th "	ARABIA	8000	—	...
16th "	SALSETTE	6000	MOREA	11000
20th "	*ARCADIA	7000	—	...
23rd "	PERSIA	8000	—	...
30th "	MARMORA	10500	—	...
6th April.	MOOLTAN	10000	—	...
13th "	SALSETTE	6000	MOLDAVIA	11000
20th "	MANTUA	11000	—	—
27th "	SALSETTE	6000	MALOJA	12500
4th May.	EGYPT	8000	—	—
11th "	SALSETTE	6000	MONGOLIA	10000
18th "	ARABIA	8000	—	—

The above Regular Mail Steamers are fitted with *WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.*

The above Steamers convey Passengers to Marseilles, Plymouth and London.

Passengers for Brindisi tranship to a connecting Steamer at Port Said.

Tenders leave the BALLARD PIER, on day of sailing. All passengers must attend at that place at 12-30 P. M. for Medical Inspection by the Health Officer of the Port.

Friends of Passengers cannot go on board the Mail Steamer.

*INTERMEDIATE PASSENGER STEAMER.

The S.S. "ARCADIA," 7,000 tons, will leave BOMBAY, at 2 p.m., on WEDNESDAY, 20th MARCH, 1912, direct for MARSEILLES, PLYMOUTH and LONDON, conveying Passengers in ONE CLASS only at SPECIAL FARES.

	Single.	Return.
To Marseilles	Rs. 495 or Rs. 594	Rs. 743 or Rs. 891
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The Company's Steamers leave Bombay fortnightly usually on WEDNESDAYS, taking Passengers for the Straits, China and Japan, and Return Tickets are issued on favourable terms.

For Accommodation and further information, apply to

W. C. SYMES,
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Bombay.

GRINDLAY, GROOM & CO.,

BANKERS, ARMY, & PASSENGER AGENTS
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PASSAGE & SHIPPING.

PASSAGES	Booked without charge,
BERTHS	Carefully Selected.
STEAMER PLANS	Sent for Inspection.
HANDBOOK	Giving details of Fares, Sailings, &c., gratis,
BAGGAGE	Shipped and Insured,
PASSENGERS	Met on arrival.
CALCUTTA :	GRINDLAY & Co.
LONDON :	GRINDLAY & Co.

ELLERMAN'S CITY & HALL LINES.

(JOINT SERVICE)

Steamer	Tons.	Leave Liverpool about 1912	Due Bombay about 1912	Leave Karachi about 1912	Leave Bombay about 1912
City of York	7810	—	—	30 Jan.	1 Feb.
City of Glasgow	6529	15 Jan.	7 Feb.	27 Feb.	29 Feb.
Trafford Hall	5321	23 "	16 "	13 Mar	—
City of Calcutta	7512	3 Feb.	26 "	23 Mar.	25 Mar.
City of Athens	5594	20 "	13 "	...	30 "
City of Sparta	5412	27 "	—	6 Apl.	...
City of Vienna	4672	—	—	—	13 Apl.
City of Birmingham	7000	2 Mar.	25 Mar.	17 Apl.	—
City of York	7810	12 "	4 Apl.	27 Apl.	29 Apl.
City of Glasgow	6529	10 April.	3 May	25 May	27 May
Trafford Hall	5321	25 "	19 "	8 June*	—
City of Lahore	6875	25 May	18 June	9 July	...
City of Paris	9200	15 "	9 "	20 July	...
City of Manchester	6551	8 June	2 July	23 July*	...
City of York	7800	18 "	11 "	31 July*	...
City of Sparta	5415	27 "	21 "	10 Aug.	...
City of Poona (Twin Screw)	7500	12 July	4 Aug.	24 Aug.	...
Trafford Hall	5321	20 "	13 "	3 Sept.	...
City of Glasgow	6529	30 "	22 "	12 "	...
New Twin Screw Steamer	8800	8 Aug.	31 "	20 "	...
City of Lahore	6875	21 "	13 Sept.	3 Oct.	...
City Calcutta	7530	29 "	21 "	11 "	...
City of Paris	9200	19 Sept.	10 Oct.	2 Nov. †	...
City of Birmingham	7000	28 "	20 "	12 "	...
City of Sparta	5415	5 Oct.	29 "	19 "	...
City of Poona	8500	16 "	6 Nov.	24 "	...
City of Corinth	5443	23 "	15 "	5 Dec.	...
Trafford Hall	5341	31 "	23 "	14 "	...
New Twin Screw Steamer	8500	8 Nov.	30 "	21 "	...
City of Lahore	6875	20 "	12 Dec.	2 Jan. 13	...
City of Benares	6973	30 "	23 "	14 "	...
City of Paris	9200	11 Dec.	2 Jan. 13	24 "	...

NOTE.—All the above steamers have second class accommodation except the s. s. City of Vienna, Trafford Hall and City of Corinth.

* Calling at Port Soudan. † 90 days leave run.

FARES*	1st class Single	1st class Return	2nd class Single	2nd class Return
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
To Marseilles	578	891	429	649
" London via Marseilles	653	1,031	489	
" Liverpool	605	957	462	670

Concessions granted to Families, Railway Employees, Hospital Nurses, Missionaries, Tea Planters, etc.

Officers of the Army are exempted from the penalty attached to overstaying their leave by reason of delay in arrival of steamers provided it is timed to arrive within the period of their leave.

Each steamer carries a duly qualified surgeon and experienced stewardess.

All steamers have Electric Light and Fan fitted in each cabin FREE OF CHARGE.

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JOINT SERVICE
in connection with

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Marseilles, Naples, Genoa, Antwerp, Hamburg and Bremen. Through rates of passage money may be obtained.

Through Bookings to AMERICA in conjunction with the Cunard LINE.

For passages and full particulars apply to :—

Bombay :—Messrs. Ed. Bates and Sons, Agency.

KILLICK NIXON & CO.

Karachi: Messrs. Forbes, Campbell & Co., Ld.

SHIPPING.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LD.

INTEND TO DESPATCH STEAMERS AS FOLLOWS :—

FOR KARACHI.

Weekly from Victoria Dock.

Steamers,	Tons.	Sailing.	Date.	Time.	Route via.
Kola	1205	Thurs.	25th Jan.	9 a.m.	*C. M.
Linga	2184	Fri.	26th Jan.	6 a. m.	† direct.
Lhasa	2184	Mon.	29th Jan.	11 a.m.	‡ via P. D. & C. M.

*Cutch Mandvie.
†Or later on arrival of English Mail Steamer.
‡Porebunder, Dwarka and Cutch Mandvie.

FOR KARACHI AND BUSREH
(Weekly).

S. S. "Kola," 1205 tons, on Thursday, 25th Jan. calling at Muscat, Linga, Bushire, and Mahomerah.

FOR PERSIAN GULF PORTS.

S. S. "Baroda," 3172 tons, on Thursday 25th January, calling at Verawal, Mangrol, Karachi, Pasni, Gwadur, Charbar, Muscat, Jask, Bunder Abbas, Dubai, Linga, Bahrein, Bushire, Koweit, Mahomerah and Busreh.

FOR EAST AND SOUTH AFRICA.
(Monthly.)

S. S. "Palamcotta," 3418 tons, on or about 25th January, calling at Seychelles, Mombasa, Zanzibar, Mozambique, Beira, Delagoa Bay and Durban.

FOR COAST PORTS AND CALCUTTA.

S. S. "Lalpoora" 3269 tons on or about 27th January.

FOR RANGOON OR CALCUTTA (Direct).

Frequent sailings, with onward connections to ports in Arracan, Burma, Straits Settlements, Mauritius, Australia, and New Zealand.

Terms and rates of freight and passage may be arranged with

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.,
Agents, Bombay.

25th January, 1912.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S S. N. Co.

UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT

ACCELERATED LINE TO TRIESTE.

Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	To sail on.
Cleopatra	4039	N. Chersich	1st Feb. 1912
Habsburg	3979	D. Cosulich	16th Feb. "
Semiramis	3999	...	1st Mar. "
Bregenz	3905	A. Petris	16th " "
Cleopatra	4039	N. Chersich	1st April "
Habsburg	3979	D. Cosulich	16th " "
Semiramis	3999	...	1st May "
Bregenz	3905	A. Petris	16th " "
Cleopatra	4039	N. Chersich	1st June "

ORDINARY LINE via KARACHI.

Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	To sail about.
Persia	5895	S. Ciliunak	26th Feb. 1912
Nippon	6350	E. Tarabochia	28th Mar. "
Vorwaerts	5990	R. Dannecker	27th April "
† Austria	7588	G. Raicich	28th " "
China	6017	P. Pavissich	28th May "
Fr. Ferdinand	6046	B. Cobol	27th June "

† Will not call at Karachi.

SPECIAL REDUCED FARES.
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FIRST CLASS—
To Trieste or Venice ... Rs. 500
To Trieste or Venice and back ... " 750
To London via Trieste ... " 579 to 644*
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To Trieste or Venice ... Rs. 350
To Trieste or Venice and back ... " 525
To London via Trieste ... " 429 to 449†
To London via Trieste and back ... " 633 " 723†

* Fares according to class of Railway.
† Fares according to Route on Railway.

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To Trieste or Venice ... Rs. 450
To Trieste or Venice and back ... " 675
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To London via Trieste and back ... " 833 " 963*

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RETURN TICKETS available for TWO YEARS ELECTRIC FANS AND LIGHTS are fitted in all the cabins free of charge.

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Single and Return Tickets are issued via Trieste, by the St. Gothards, Tauren and other Routes.

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Steamers	Tons	Captains	To sail about
Vorwaerts	5990	R. Dannecker	24th Jan. 1912.
Austria	7588	G. Raicich	6th Feb. 1912.

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Registered under the Companies (Consolidated) Act 1908.

CAPITAL PAID UP ... £400,000
RESERVE ... £ 50,000

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BRANCHES :—Bombay, Calcutta, Karachi, Rawal Pindi, Murree and Srinagar (Kashmir).

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CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received, rates of INTEREST to be obtained upon application,
SAVINGS BANK ACCOUNTS opened, terms on application.
LETTERS OF CREDIT issued, and DRAFTS granted on London at the Current Rate of Exchange, and on Branches and Agents throughout India,
TELEGRAPHIC REMITTANCES made and ADDRESSES Registered in London free of charge.
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SHIPPING, PASSAGE AND AGENCY BUSINESS of every description, including IMPORT and EXPORT of CARGO and BAGGAGE, with STORAGE of Baggage and other goods, effected by COX'S SHIPPING AGENCY, Limited, in connection with Messrs. Cox & Co., SAILING LISTS and HANDBOOK supplied on application.
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CORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.

CAPITAL ... £1,200,000
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RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS ... £1,200,000

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Bombay
Calcutta
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Rangoon
Colombo
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Singapore
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Seremban (F. M. States.)
Bangkok
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CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.—Interest is allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on the minimum Monthly Balances, if not under Rs. 1,000 and not exceeding Rs. 1,00,000, but no interest is allowed when the sum accrued does not amount to Rs. 5 half yearly

Amounts above Rs. 1,00,000 will be received on terms which may be ascertained upon application,

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, STOCKS, and SHARES, bought and sold on account of clients, and also received for safe custody and collection of interest and Dividends when due.

FIXED DEPOSITS are received for twelve months and shorter period at rates to be ascertained on application,

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POST BOX No. 34.

JOHN GREIG,
Agent.

Esplanade Road, Bombay.

THE BANK OF INDIA, LD.

ESTABLISHED 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1906,
Incorporated under the Indian Companies Act VI. of 1882.

HEAD OFFICE :
ORIENTAL BUILDINGS, BOMBAY.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Rs. 1,00,00,000
CAPITAL CALLED UP ... " 50,00,000
RESERVE FUND ... " 3,00,000

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

INTEREST is allowed on Daily Balances from Rs. 300 to Rs. 1,00,000 at the rate of 2½ per cent, per annum and on sums over Rs. 1,00,000 by special arrangement. No interest which does not amount to Rs. 3 per half-year will be allowed.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

"Deposits are received fixed for one year or for shorter periods at rates of interest which can be ascertained on application."

LOANS, OVERDRAFTS, & CASH CREDITS.

The Bank grants accommodation on terms to be arranged against approved security.

The Bank undertakes on behalf of its Constituents the safe custody of Shares and Securities and the collection of dividends and interest thereon; it also undertakes the sale and purchase of Government Paper and all descriptions of Stocks at moderate charges particulars of which may be had on application.

P. STRINGFELLOW,
Manager.

THE EASTERN BANK LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE :
4, Crosby Square, LONDON, E. C.

CALCUTTA OFFICE :
103, Clive Street, Calcutta.

BOMBAY OFFICE :
Corner of Hornby Road and Church Gate Street.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... £1,000,000
CALLED UP ... £400,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS ... £600,000

BOARD OF DIRECTORS :

The Rt. Hon. LORD BALFOUR of Burleigh, K. T.
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CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received on terms to be ascertained on application.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE purchased, loans and credits granted on approved security and every description of Banking and Exchange business undertaken.

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W. M. ANDERSON,
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Capital (subscribed by the Imperial Chinese Government) Kouping Taels ...	" 3,500,000	= say £ 455,000
Reserve Fund ...	" 19,500,000	= say £2,055,000
		£6,200,000

HEAD OFFICE :—ST. PETERSBURG.

LONDON OFFICE :—64, Old Broad Street, London, E.C.

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THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LD.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... Yen. 48,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL ... " 30,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS... ... " 17,150,000

HEAD OFFICE :—YOKOHAMA.

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Hongkong
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Nagasaki
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Tokyo

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS are opened for approved customers, and interest is allowed at two per cent. per annum on daily balances of Rs. 1,000 upto Rs. 100,000, provided that the amount of half-yearly interest is not less than Rs. 5.

FIXED DEPOSITS are received for one year and shorter periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

Every description of BANKING and EXCHANGE business transacted.

N. IGARASHI,
Manager

Post Box No. 207,
Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.

BANKS.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LD.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... £ 2,000,000
PAID UP CAPITAL ... £ 1,000,000
RESERVE FUND ... £ 850,000

HEAD OFFICE :
26, BISHOPSGATE, LONDON E. C.

BRANCHES :

Calcutta,
Bombay,
Madras,
Karachi,
Lahore,
Amritsar,
Delhi,
Cawnpore,
Tuticorin,

Cochin,
Chittagong,
Rangoon,
Mandalay,
Colombo,
Kandy,
Newara-Eliya,
Aden (Camp.)
Aden, (Steamer Point)

Zanzibar,
Mombassa,
Nairobi,
Nakuru,
Kisumu,
Jinja,
Kampala.
Entebbe.

FIXED DEPOSITS.—The Bank receives DEPOSITS FIXED for one year and shorter periods, at Rates of Interest to be ascertained on application.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS are opened for approved Customers, and interest is allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances from Rs. 1,000 up to Rs. 1,00,000, but no interest is allowed when the sum accrued does not amount to Rs. 5 half-yearly.

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The Bank undertakes the purchase and sale of Government Securities, Stocks, and Shares and receive same for safe custody, realising Interest and Dividends when due.

LOANS and CASH CREDITS granted on approved Securities.

Post Box No. 142.
BOMBAY

W. J. K. HEGARTY,
Acting Manager.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid up Capital ... $ 15,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors ... $ 15,000,000
Silver Reserve Fund ... $ 16,750,000
Gold Reserve Fund ... £ 1,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS AND HEAD OFFICE IN HONGKONG.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.

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BATAVIA
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HAMBURG
HANKOW
HONGKONG

IPOH
JOHORE,
KOBE
KUALA LUMPUR
LONDON
LYONS
MALACCA
MANILA
NAGASAKI
NEW YORK
PEKING

PENANG
RANGOON
SAIGON
SAN FRANCISCO
SHANGHAI
Do. HONGKEW
SINGAPORE
SOURABAYA
TIENTSIN
YOKOHAMA
YLOILO

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

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FIXED DEPOSITS

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As amended by the City of Bombay Municipal (Amendment) Act, 1905.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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New Premiums (1910)	...	" 109,674
Annual Income	...	" 1,451,086
Assets	...	" 10,466,010
Total Payments under Policies		" 26,765,113
Actuarially Certified Profits for the Quinquennium ending December 31st 1910 ...	...	£ 442,000

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THURSDAY, 25TH January, 1912.

The closing date is approaching. Do not delay, or your opportunities will have passed away.

TO-DAY, from 5 P.M. to 12-30 A.M.

4 ANNAS.

BANDS! BANDS!! BANDS!!!

Loan Exhibits,	The Mountain Railway,
Arts and Crafts,	The Joy Wheel,
Model of Old Bombay,	The Cake Walk,
Model of Modern Bombay,	The House of Nonsense,
Church Gate,	The Mermaid's Well,
Apollo Gate,	The Camera Obscura,
&c., &c.	&c., &c.

ALL THE ATTRACTIONS & AMUSEMENTS FOR 4 ANNAS.

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FUTURE ENGAGEMENTS.

SATURDAY 27TH JANUARY.

Dancing in the Stadium for Ladies and Gentlemen in fancy and evening dress. Nautch Girls, Dancing Girls, Theatrical Performance.

CAFE—CHANTANT.

SUNDAY, 28th January :—

GREAT FIREWORK DISPLAY.

If you are proud of your city, don't miss this special performance. Amongst other numerous attractions there will be shown in a blaze of light.

THE CIVIC ARMS OF BOMBAY.

MONDAY, 29th January :—

SECOND SPECIAL PURDAH DAY,

For Ladies only.

From 5 to 7-30 P. M.

DAILY MARKET REPORT.

LONDON MARKET

LONDON, JAN. 23.] [BOMBAY, JAN. 24.

FINANCIAL.

	Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
3 1-2 per cent. Consols ...	77 2-8		1-16
3 do. Rentes ...	95	un	chgd
3 1-2 per cent. Sterling Loan..	93 3-4		1-2
do. Govt. Securities...	64 1-4	un	chgd
Bar Silver in London ...	28 5-16		1-16
do. 2 months' hence...	28 3-8		1-16
do. in New York ...	57 1-4		1-8
Exchange on London at Paris.	25·25	un	chgd
do. at Berlin...	20·51	1-2	
do. at New York...	4·87 1-4	un	chgd
Discount Bank of England Rate	4 p.c.	since	
do. Short London	21st Sept		
Bills, 3 months' sight.	3 11-16	un	chgd
do. Indian Bank Bills, 6 months' sight.	3 5-16		1-16
do 3 months' Fine Trade Bills...	4 1-4	1-8	
do. 6 months' Fine Trade Bills...	4	un	chgd
Interest day-to-day Loans ...	3 5-8	un	chgd
Interest 7 day Market Loans...	3 3-4	un	chgd

Bar Gold per oz. ...77-9 unchgd

Exchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank buying rate) 1 3 31-32 unchgd.

Closing Tone of Silver—Fall caused by India and China selling.

Amount withdrawn from the Bank of England about £200,000 for Egypt.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL.—

Spot	Firm. Good business done.
Futures	... Quiet.
Manchester	Steady with a good demand.
Total Sales	... 12,000 Bales.
Sold on Speculation and for Export	2,000 „
Imports	... 43,000 „
Mid-Americans	... 5·43+06
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown	... 9 1-8 unchgd

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES :—

Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-April.	April-May	May-June.
5·19	5·21	5·24	5·26	5·28
+06	+05	+05	+05	+05

June-July.	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.	Sept.-Oct.
5·30	5·21	5·30	5·29
+05	+05	+04	+05

New York official noon call March 9-32; May 9-48. New Orleans 10 a.m. March 9-62; May 9-7.

NEW YORK—	Bales.
Receipts at U. S. Ports ...	66,000
Receipts at „ last year ...	30,000
Exports to Great Britain ...	......
Exports to Continent ...	23,000
Spot Cotton— ...	9·50 unchgd

Futures—Month of Mar. 9·30 unchgd
Futures—Month of May 9·45—01
} Advanced on bullish Government ginners' report and declined on longs unloading.

NEW ORLEANS—

Spot cotton	... 9 9-16 unchgd
Futures month of Mar.	... 9·80 +03
Futures month of May	... 9·63+02
Tone of Spot Cotton	... Easy.

Additional Cotton Quotations unchanged.

GINNERS' REPORT.

Washington, Jan. 23.

The United States Census Bureau gives the amount of cotton ginned upto 16th Jan. as 14,511,000 commercial bales.

Liverpool, Jan. 23.

Tone Dhooties ...	Firm but less demand.
Tone Shirtings ...	... Do. Do.
Weft American " 54 "	... 10 1-4
Weft Egyptian " 80 "	... 15 3-4
Tone Cloths ...	Good demand. Firm generally.
Tone Yarns ...	... Firm.
Weft Egyptian " 32 "	... 10 1-2
Twist " 36 "	... 9 5-16
Twist " 42 "	... 10 5-8
Twist American " 60"	... 13 1-2
Twist Egyptian " 60"	... 15 1-2
Twist Egyptian " 80"	... 19 1-2
40s Banner Mill Twist	... 9 5-8
Geo Mayall's Yarn ...	... 9 5-8
F. G. F. Tinnevelly c i f L'pool	5 1-8 unchgd.
Buyers or Sellers ...	... Nominal
Months ...	... March-April

WHEAT.

Wheat White Delhi ... 38 1-4—1-4
Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.
Do. Name of Ports—Hull—Done.

Wheat White Karachi 38 +1-4 unchgd
Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.
Do. Name of Ports—London—Sellers.
Wheat Red Karachi ... ...37 3-4 unc hgd
Do Months—Jan.—London—Done.
Tone—Quiet.

SOUTH AMERICAN.

Rosario Santa Fe-62lbs. ... 37 3-8—7-8
Do. Month—Jan.-Feb.—Sellers.—Quiet.
Barletta Russo 62 1-2lbs ... No sellers.
Do. Months—Jan.—Quiet.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN.

South Australian 37 1-4 unchgd
Do Months ... ... Jan.—Sellers.
Victorian ... ... 37 1-4 unchgd.
Do Months ... ... Jan.—Sellers.
New South Wales ... 37 1-4 unchgd
Do Months ... Jan.—Sellers.

SEEDS.

RAPESEED—
Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs 85 p.c ex-ship. ...Nominal.
Do. Months— ... .
Do. Name of Ports— ... .
Yellow Gujarat, per 416 lbs, 85 p. c. ex-ship ... Nominal.
Do. Months— ......
Do. Name of Ports.— ......
Brown Cawnpore ...46 1-2unchgd
Do. Months—Mar.-May.
Do. Name of Ports—Dunkirk—Sellers.
Tone—Quiet.

LINSEED—
Bombay, per 416 lbs ex-ship ... 65—1-2
Do. Months—Feb-Mar.
Do. Name of Ports.—Antwerp—Sellers.
Tone—Dull.
Linseed Argentine—La Plata ...61 1-2—3-4
Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Sellers.

BOMBAY COTTONSEED.—
£ 6-17-0 unchgd—Jan.-Feb.—Hull—Easier Sellers.

MISCELLANEOUS.

COFFEE—
In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality).... ... ... 13 7-8—1-8

RUBBER—
Para Rubber ... ... 4 6 +1-2
Jan.—Value—Firm.

METALS—
Copper Braziers ...... £ 74 unchgd
Yellow Metal ...... d 6 5-8 unchgd
Standard Copper G M B ...... £ 62 5-16—1-2

FREIGHT—
Coals :—Cardiff to Bombay Canal ... 12-9 Value.

ARRIVALS—
"Farley", "Koerber", "Corunna", "Castello"

SUGAR—
German Granulated Sugar C & F India (Double bags) ... 12 6 unchgd
Do, Months of Shipment...Feb.-Mar.—Sellers.
Tone—Business almost at a standstill.
Hungarian Crystals Sugar C & F India ... Nominal.
Do Months of Shipments ... .
German Beet-root 88 p.c. ...15 3+1 1-4
Months of Shipments ...Feb.—Sellers.
Tone—Opened weak. Closed firmer.
E A E & Similar Crystal C & F India ... 20 unchgd
Months of Shipments ... Apr-Aug. Sellers
Tone—Very quiet.—Prices unchanged.
Mauritius Crystals C & F Calcutta and Bombay ...16 3—unchgd.
Month of Shipments Jan.-Feb.—Value.
Tone—Quiet but steady.
Java Sugar—Steady, Nothing doing.

BOMBAY MARKETS.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.] [24TH JAN. 1912

EXPORTS OF BAR SILVER FROM BOMBAY BY RAIL on 22nd Jan., 1912.

By	Bars	Ounces
G I P Railway	58	68,564
B B and C I Railway ...	24	27,833

FINANCIAL.

EXCHANGE:—

The market opened steady at 1s. 4 1-8d. and T. T., on Demand, and 1s. 4 11-32d. for 3 months' sight credits. Little business has been done and the Banks closed early pending Council Bills allotments. Far Eastern rates are steady.

We quote :—

T. T. on London	...1s. 4 1-8d.
Demand Draft	...1s. 4 1-8d.
Credits 3 months' sight	...1s. 4 11-32d.
Do. do forward	...1s. 4 5-16 10th Feb
Do. do France	...172
Do. do Marks	...139 3-4
Hongkong 60 days' sight	...141 1-4
Shanghai „	...188 1-4
Japan „	...149 1-4

GOVERNMENT PAPER :—

The market opened at 95 11-16 for Cash and the Settlement and has again fluctuated slightly during the day closing as under. Only a very moderate business is reported.

We quote :—

Cash	Rs. 95 10 0 } Buyers.
Settlement ... ... „	95 10 0

BULLION :—

Yesterday Bar Silver in London closed 1-16 lower at 26 5-16 for ready and 26 3-8 for delivery in two months. New York was 1-8 down at 57 1-4. The local market is rather irregular. This morning the opening rate was 66 7-8 for ready bars but the market is since easier. Bar gold is steady.

We quote :—

English Bar Gold	Rs 23 15 0
Australian „	„ 23 15 0
Sovereigns „	„ 15 0 0
Silver Ready ex duty ...	„ 66 12 0
„ 1st Settlement ...	„ 66 10 0
„ 2nd Settlement ...	„ 66 12 0

COTTON.

MARKET REPORT:—

The Ginners' Report to hand to-day advises 14,511,000 bales as ginned upto 16th January. The above figures show 178,000 bales ginned since the last report, against 168,000 bales last year and 201,000 bales in 1910 during the same period. The report is considered bullish, but the falling off is probably due to bad weather, and a private telegram to hand to-day states that picking has been resumed in consequence of better weather. The final Ginners' Report will be published on the 20th March. The above report has had little or no effect on the Home markets.

The local market opened steady at about yesterday's closing rates. The market is occupied almost entirely with the January Settlements, which are progressing satisfactorily. There is some enquiry here and there for March delivery Oomras, but sellers are disinclined to operate forward at present. The market closes steady as under.

QUOTATIONS :—

NEW CROP.

Fine M. G. Broach ...	... Rs.	273	March
Good M G Broach ...	„	263 1-2	„
Fine M G Wardha Hingunghat	„	265-6	Jan.
Fine M G Nagpur ...	„	263-4	„
Fine M G Dhamangaon ...	„	261	„
Fine M G Khamgaon-Akola...	„	259	„
Fine M G Khandeish ...	„	247	„
F. G. M. G. Khandeish ...	„	237	„
Fine M G Bengal ...	„	250-51	„
F. G. H. G. Bengal ...	„	235	„

LIVERPOOL OPENER :—

Opening Tone ...	... Steady.
Estimated Sales ...	... 10,000 bales
Total Imports ...	... 6,000 „

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES :—

Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-April.
5·18	5·20	5·23
—01	—01	—01

Apl-May.	May-June	June-July.
5·25	5·27	5·29
—01	—01	—01

July.-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.	Sept.-Oct
5·30	5·29	5·28
—01	—01	—01

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

LINSEED :—

There is practically no change in the market.

Ready ...	Rs. 13 0 0 B T
April-May ...	„ 11 14 0 B.T.

RAPESEED :—

The market is quiet but steady. We Quote—

Brown Delhi A.-M. ...	„ 8 2 6 B.T.

GINGELLYSEED :—

Tone—Quiet but steady. We quote :—

Bold White 85 p.c. ...	Rs. 56 0 0
Ready White Gulburga ...	„ 56 0 0
Red Jubbalpore ...	„ 51 0 0
Black Kutni ...	„ 47 8 0
Yellow Hingunghat ...	„ 58 8 0

POPPYSEED :—

Tone—Quiet. We quote :—

Ready ...	Rs. 11 2 0 B. T.
Forward ...	Rs. 11 3 6 B. T.

CASTORSEED :—

Tone—Steady. We quote :—

Ready ...	Rs. 35 8 0
Forward ...	„ 7 2 0 B.T.

COTTONSEED :—

Tone—Steady. We quote :—

Ready. ...	... Rs 26 0 0

GROUNDNUTS —

Tone—Steady. We quote :—

Bold... ...	... Rs. 42 0 0

MOWRASEED :—

Tone—Quiet.

Ready	... Rs. 7 1 0 B. T.

WHEAT :—

The market is steady. We quote :—

White Pissi ready 85 p.c.	Rs. 5 3 0 B. T.
„ Delhi A.-M. ...	„ 5 6 0 „

SHARES.

BANKS.

Bank of Bombay	1,765
Bank of India	66 1-2
Bombay Merchants' Bank ...	9 8-4
Eastern Bank	80
Indian Specie	52

MILLS.

Central India S & W Co... ...	1,920
David	412 1-2
Kohinoor	740
Manockji Petit	2,660
Standard	1,135

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bombay E. S. & T. C. Ordinary ...	150 1-2
Bombay E. S. & T. C. Preference...	178
Bombay S N Co Ord.	280
Colaba Land and Mill	1,242 1-2
Shivrajpur Mining Syndicate ...	17

RAILWAY.

Tapti-Valley	512 1-2

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of produce into Bombay during the 24 hours ended at 6 p.m, yesterday :—

Cotton	26,926 bales
Wheat	22,926 cwts.
Linseed	741 „
Rapeseed	264 „
Gingellyseed	9,756 „
Poppyseed	103 „
Groundnuts...	18,586 „
Castorseed	8,537 „
Rice	23,049 „
Myrabollams	9,915 „
Cottonseed	37,610 „
Mowraseed	Nil
Gram	5,405 „
Joowar	217 „
Maize	2,077 „

HOME REMITTANCES.

The Treasury, Calcutta, 22nd January.

The weekly Memorandum of Remittances to the Home Treasury :—

Amount estimated in the Financial Statement to be remitted during 1911-12	£ 17,158,300
Remitted from 1st April 1911 to 20th Jan. 1912, by Council Bills............a	£18,546,727
Remitted in excess of Budget Estimate	£ 1,388,427

a Of this sum £1,388,300 has been taken to the account of the Currency Reserve for investment in Consols.

DAILY EXPORTS—JAN. 24.

FOR LONDON.

Oceana s—33 bales hides, M J Joomabhoy and Co ; 3 cases bristles, R Ramji and Co ; 11 bales hides, J Purdhan and Co ; 3,000 cwts cottonseed, L Dreyfus and Co ; 18 cwts old rubber, A M Adamji ; 71 bales skins, W and A Graham and Co ; 8 bales skins J M Rahimtoola.

FOR HULL.

Woodbridge s—2,000 cwts cottonseed, W Blythe and Co ; 900 cwts castorseed, 680 cwts cottonseed, Ralli Bros.

Dido s—2,050 cwts cottonseed L Dreyfus and Co.

FOR HAMBURG.

Ehrenfels s—68 cwts gum, J Dossa 4,702 cwts bonemeal, E C Nanjee ; 8,000 cwts gram, Ralli Bros ; 29,100 cwts barley Sanday and Co ; 47 bales hemp, T Morrison and Co ; 160 cwts olibanum S Cooverjee and Co ; 119 bales cotton, M Jafferbhoy ; 5 bales cotton N H Dehdasti.

FOR TRIESTE.

Cleopatra s—110 bales cotton, A Moritz and Co ; 440 bales cotton, A Blascheck and Co ; 342 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR VENICE.

Cleopatra s—100 bales cotton, Gaddam and Co ; 4 cwts rough garment stone, J M F Mahomed 100 bales cotton, M Jethabhai and Co.

Northumbria s—3,340 cwts wheat bran, H A Esmail.

FOR ANTWERP.

Beckbergen s—220 bales cotton, E Spinner and Co; 73 bales hemp, Kiddle Reeve and Co; 1,000 cwts groundnuts, B S Lloyd and Co; 2,000 cwts gingellyseed, 2,000 cwts castorseed, K Devchand and Co; 500 cwts myrabollams, S Cooverjee and Co.

Glazebrook s—220 bales cotton, Glazebrook and Co.

FOR DUNKIRK.

Barrington Court s—200 tons manganese ore, Shaw Wallace and Co; 192 cwts gum, M Jaferbhoy; 1,000 cwts nigerseed, A Blascheck and Co.

FOR BREMEN.

Ehrenfels s—8,000 cwts gram, Ralli Bros.

FOR KOBE.

Assaye s—5,750 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

Banes s—200 bales cotton, F F Campbell and Co; 500 bales cotton, H Gocaldas and Co; 3,200 bales cotton, The M B Kaisha; 2,000 bales cotton, The Cotton Japan Trading Co; 300 bales cotton, The Bombay Co; 500 bales cotton Breul and Co; 400 bales cotton, J A Begbie and Co.

Vorwaerts s—500 bales cotton, The M B Kaisha; 100 bales cotton, B N Ginwalla and Co; 200 bales cotton, H N Madraswalla and Co; 200 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

Bombay Maru s—39 cwts Colombo roots, H M Arbi; 103 bales cotton, M Amarsey and Co.

FOR OSAKA.

Bombay Maru s—100 bales cotton, N Rajaram and Co.

Bance s—2,000 bales cotton, The Japan Cotton Trading Co.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

Bombay Maru s—100 bales cotton, N Rajaram and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Assaye s—50 cwts olibanum, P Jethabhai.

The "turkey trot," "grizzly bear," and "bunny hug" dances, which have recently become the rage in American ballrooms, are the subject of excited discussion among society leaders in all the principal towns. Chicago hostesses indignantly announce that they never tolerated these modern dances. Philadelphia declares that henceforth the dances shall be banned in all good society. In Boston the police, in view of the protest of the Committee on the Amusements and Vacation Resources of Working Girls, have prohibited the "turkey trot" and the "grizzly bear" performances in all public dancing halls. Bankers and stockbrokers in New York are taking vigorous action against the new mode of dancing by dismissing all young gentlemen who come to their duties too tired to work after "dance till dawn" engagements.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcement of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS and MEMORIAM NOTICES, which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender, Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8as. for every additional line. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

EUROPE.

BIRTH.

PROCTOR—January 18, at Birch Green, England, the wife of the Rev. Owen Proctor, Madras, Ecclesiastical Establishment, of a son.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

CAVE—January 20, at Nagercoil, Travancore, the wife of Rev. Sydney Cave, B. D. of a son.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

H. E. the Governor presides at the annual meeting of the British and Foreign Bible Society (Bombay Auxiliary), Y. M. C. A. Hall, Wodehouse Road, 6 p.m.

Bombay Natural History Society, 6-15 p.m.

Bombay Municipal Corporation, 3-30 p.m.

Excelsior Cinematograph, Novelty Theatre. Three shows nightly, 7 to 8, 8-30 to 9-30, 10 to 11 p.m. Exhibition Cinematograph, continuous performance.

Skating Rink. Practice session 8 to 9 a.m. Ladies only, 9-30 to 10-30 a. m. Evening session 6 to 8 p.m. ; night session (Saturday) 9-30 to 11-30.

Maxim : " Ready money is a ready medicine."

ENGLISH MAILS.

ARRIVAL.

The P. and O. Company's s.s. "Egypt," with the English mails of the 12th instant, left Aden, at 6 p.m., on Sunday, and is expected to arrive in Bombay harbour at 6 a.m., to-morrow.

DEPARTURE.

The P. and O. Co.'s mail steamer "Salsette" leaves Bombay harbour at 2-30 p. m., on Saturday.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails consisting of superscribed correspondence for Singapore, China and Japan per extra s. s. "Bombay Maru" will be closed at the General Post Office at 10-30 a. m. to-morrow, Friday.

BOMBAY NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.—A meeting of the members will be held this afternoon at the Society's Rooms at 6 Apollo Street, at 6-15 p. m., when the following papers will be read :—(1) "Some notes on guests of Termites" by the Rev. J. Assmuth, S. J. and (2) "A note on Trichosanthes divica," by Lt.-Col. K. R. Kirtikar, I.M.S., (Retd.)

REPORTED THEFT.—Motilal Vadhuchand, a commission agent, residing on the second floor of a house in Nakhoda Street, has reported to the police that on his return home on Tuesday afternoon, he found the door of his room open and the hasp of the door wrenched off. He entered the room when he found his cupboard open and property consisting of jewellery, currency notes and pearls collectively valued at Rs. 3,765 missing.

CAVEL CATHOLIC LIBRARY.—The building, in Cavel street, in which was established by the late Bishop Meurin the Library in 1863, has been rebuilt. The committee has erected a three-storeyed building on the old site, which provides for three shops on the ground floor, residential quarters on the first floor, and a library and lecture hall on the second. The blessing and opening ceremony is to be performed by His Grace Dr. Jurgens, the Archbishop of Bombay, on Saturday next, at 6 p.m.

BAND AT THE PRINCESS GYMKHANA.—By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel T. W. Bonner, V. D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battn., G. I. P. Ry. Volunteers, will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A. Maliandaine, Bandmaster, commencing at 6 p.m., to-day :—

March	Under the Double Eagle..	Wagner
Overture	Fra Diavolo.................	Auber
a Song (Cornet Solo).........	'Twas in a Garden Shady...	Douglas
b Serenade (Bell Solo	The Belfry	Howgill
Selection	The Arcadians................	Monckton
Valse	La Toscana	Bucalossi
Selection........	The Pirates of Penzance...	Sullivan
Cake Walk	A Coon Band Contest......	Pryor

BOMBAY STUDENTS' BROTHERHOOD.

The following is the programme of work during the First Session of 1912 :—

Subjects for study.—Lectures on "Wordsworth's Prelude" will be delivered by the Hon'ble Sir Narayen G. Chandavarkar. Lectures on "Some Aspects of the French Revolution," by Prof. P. A. Wadia. Sunday Classes at 9 a.m. (S. T.) in the Prarthana Mandir Hall, Girgaon, which are open to all.

Saturday conversational meetings, 5-30—7-30 p.m. (S. T.) at the Head-quarters of the Brotherhood (Dr. Prabhakar's House, Girgaon) on Jan. 24th, Feb. 10th, March 9, and April 6th.

Saturday public addresses.—Feb. 17th by Miss D. M. Mayadas, of the Y. W. C. A. (Bombay). Subject : "America from the Point of View of an Indian Woman." President, the Hon'ble Sir Henry E. E. Procter.

February 24th, by Prof. S. L. Joshi, (Baroda College). Subject: "The place of Woman in the Evolution of European Society." President : The Rev. Dr. D. Mackichan (Principal, Wilson College).

March 2nd, by Dr. Harold H. Mann (Principal Agricultural College, Poona). Subject: Methods of Social Progress and their present application in India." President : The Hon'ble Sir Narayen G. Chandavarkar.

March 16th, by Principal R. P. Paranjpe, (Fergusson College). Subject : Frederick Harrison, the Man and the Writer. President: G. D. Madgaokar

March 23rd, Excursion to Lonavla (Sir Narayen's Bungalow).

March 30th, by Prof. J. Mackenzie (Wilson College). Subject : "Education in Scotland." President ; Mr. H. J. Bhabha.

SIR VUSSONJEE MOOLJEE, KT.

A REPRESENTATIVE committee has been formed to entertain Sir Vussonjee in recognition of the honour of Knighthood recently conferred on him by His Imperial Majesty. A preliminary meeting was held at Messrs. E. D. Sassoon and Co.'s offices in Rampart Row on Tuesday afternoon to consider what steps should be taken to show appreciation of the honour conferred on Sir Vussonjee. The following gentlemen form the Committee :—Mr. Bomanji Dinshaw Petit, Sir Cowasji Jehangir, Bart., Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim, Bart., Sir James Begbie, Kt., Sir Vithaldas D. Thakersey, Kt., Sir Bhalchandra Krishna, Kt., the Hon'ble Mr. Herbert Greaves, Mr. A. J. Raymond, Mr. R. Furugori with Mr. Perosha Bomanji Petit, and Mr. S. A. Nathan, as Secretaries.

It was resolved to give an evening party in honour of Sir Vussonjee, and Mr. Bomonji Dinshaw Petit has kindly offered his residence at Warden Road, known as "Chateau Petit" for the purpose. This offer was greatefully accepted by the Committee. Mr. Perosha Bomanji Petit and Mr. S. A. Nathan were appointed Honorary Secretaries to carry out the arrangements.

MORTALITY IN BOMBAY.

The following statement shows the total mortality and the incidence of plague in the City of Bombay, during the past 24 hours up to 6 a. m., yesterday :—

	Plague attacks.	Plague deaths.
Total	nil.	nil.
Same date last year......	8	6
Total mortality from all causes.......		97
Same date last year......................		107

BOMBAY HIGH COURT.

KUMAR'S JEWELLERY CASE.

Bail Granted.

AT the Bombay High Court, yesterday, before the second division Appeal Court, with the Hon'ble Justice Sir Narayan G. Chandavarker and The Hon'ble Mr. Justice Batchelor on the Bench, Mr. E. B. Raikes, instructed by Messrs. Payne and Company, appeared on behalf of Abdulla Khaki Readymoney, who was sentenced to six months and one day's simple imprisonment for disposing of stolen property by Mr. A. H. S. Aston, and applied for the admission of his client's appeal and bail.

The grounds of appeal were that the judgment was quite contrary to the evidence in the case. The Magistrate had wrongly admitted evidence against the accused, which he subsequently held to be irrelevant, and he refused to allow the accused's solicitor to cross-examine on that evidence. The Magistrate erred in relying on the evidence-in-chief of Abdul Husain, for while he held his evidence to be credible, he disregarded it in cross-examination. The Magistrate had erred in disregarding the evidence of a prosecution witness, who denied that the bracelets were pledged with the Bank. The Magistrate had also failed to appreciate the documentary evidence regarding the pledge of the ornaments to the Bank. The sentence was excessive.

Without hearing Mr. Raikes, their Lordships admitted the appeal. Mr. Raikes then applied for bail. He said that his client had not been imprisoned yet. The solicitors instructing him had given notice to the Public Prosecutor, and Mr. Payne had heard that the Public Prosecutor had no objection to bail being granted.

Justice Chandavarkar : You cannot say that there is no evidence on the record.

Mr. Raikes : True there is evidence, but there is considerable doubt that the conviction can be supported.

Justice Chandavarkar : Was the accused on bail in the Court below?

Mr. Raikes : He was not arrested at all. He was there in answer to a summons. First a notice was issued, and it was then converted into a summons.

Their Lordship released the accused on his furnishing two sureties for Rs. 1,000 each and on his executing a bond for Rs. 2,000 in his own personal recognizance.

CONVICTIONS CONFIRMED.

On the Appellate side of the Bombay High Court Justice Sir Narayan G. Chandavarkar and Mr. Justice Batchelor disposed of an appeal from a decision of Mr. J. D. Dikshit, the Additional Sessions Judge of Ahmedabad, who convicted Amir Amin and five others of the murder of one Subhamya Amirmiya and abetment thereof and sentenced them to transportation for life.

Mr. M. R. Branson and Mr. G. R. Khairaz, instructed by Mr. Ratanlal Ranchhordass, appeared for the accused; the Government Pleader was for the Crown.

The deceased, it appeared, was an inamdar in Matar Taluka and was addicted to vices. He was suspected of having set fire to the houses of some of the accused. On the 11th August last, seeing the deceased alone, the first three accused struck deceased on the head and from the effects of the blow he died. The other three accused were near the place, and they prevented people from going to the assistance of the deceased.

Disagreeing with the assessors, the Sessions Judge convicted the accused and sentenced them as above stated.

After hearing the arguments, their Lordships confirmed the convictions and sentences and dismissed the appeals.

APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER.

On the Appellate side of the Bombay High Court yesterday, the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Heaton disposed of an application for the transfer of three suits from the Bombay Small Causes Court.

The first suit was brought by Gurumukhram Sukhanand, a firm, against the B. B. and C. I. Railway Company to recover Rs. 165, being the amount charged for wharfage by the Company on a consignment received in Bombay.

Two similar suits were brought against the G. I. P. Railway Company. Both companies applied for a transfer of the suits to the High Court and Mr. Robertson appeared for both to support the application. He said that in the suits was involved an important and intricate question of law, and also the construction of an important document, on which depended the charging of thousands of rupees by the railway company to merchants.

Mr. Inverarity opposed the application on behalf of the plaintiff in the first suit, and Mr. R. B. Paymaster for the plaintiffs in the other two suits.

After hearing the arguments, their Lordships rejected the application with costs, as no case had been made out for a transfer.

POLICE COURTS.

CHEATING.

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Rao Bahadur Chunilal H. Setalvad, Third Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Power charged Abu Moti, a Mahomedan, with cheating one Ranchhod Lakhmichand, a dealer in piece-goods. Mr. B. J. Dhondi, pleader, appeared for the complainant. It appeared from the evidence that on the 15th of September, 1909, the accused purchased velvet and satin of the value of Rs. 158 from the complainant in the name of one Ismail Hassan, and left saying he would make the payment in a week's time. He however failed to turn up by that time, whereupon the complainant went to Ismail, who denied all knowledge about the transaction. The accused who had absconded from Bombay was seen by the complainant last Sunday and handed over to the police. He was convicted and sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 175, or, in default, to undergo six weeks' rigorous imprisonment. In the event of the fine being recovered Rs. 158 were ordered to be paid to the complainant as compensation.

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

The Tree Incident.

A meeting of the Standing Committee of the Bombay Municipal Corporation was held yesterday afternoon, Mr. Phiroze C. Sethna, Chairman of the Committee, presiding.

Consideration was given to a letter from the Commissioner, informing the Committee that on the 14th November, a road side tree, the property of the Municipality, fell in Hornby Road on to a victoria standing outside the shop, a European lady, named Mrs. Campbell, being then in the victoria. She was pinned down by the tree or a branch of it, and received injuries to the sinews of her leg which in the opinion of Dr. Choksey, who examined her at my request, disabled her for sixty days. She is only now able to walk about, and use the leg freely. Mrs. Campbell was on her way from South Africa to Rangoon, and hads through her illness and detention been put to heavy expenses. She being in humble circumstances, naturally sought for her expenses to be defrayed. After stating what were the likely causes of the fall of the tree, the Commissioner stated that Mrs. Campbell might have sued either the Corporation or the Gas Company, or both, with a fair chance of success, in view of the injuries inflicted upon her. It would be wise and equitable therefore to settle the matter amicably. Mrs. Campbell had expressed her willingness to accept a sum of Rs. 400 as full compensation, and the Gas Company, while not admitting liability, were willing to pay half of this sum, if the Corporation would pay the other half. He requested the sanction of the Standing Committee to the payment of Rs. 200 to Mrs. Campbell.

The necessary sanction was granted.

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HIGH COURT—JANUARY, 25.

(Before the Hon'ble Justice Sir Dinshaw D. Davar.)
Suits for Hearing and Final Disposal.
Long Causes.

110-10—Ardashir H. D. and Co. Naradbhai Manoherdas and others, vs Sha Valabhji Bhica and others. Mulla and M.
391-09—Bhaishanker K. and G. Madhawji Luxmandas, vs Price Wills and Reeves a firm. Little and Co.
888-10—Malvi H. M. and R. Mangaldas Manecklal a firm. vs Gokaldas Atmaram a firm. Mirza M. and M.
845-11—Th. Gandhi, Bossabebai vs. Ebrahim Jafferji, Motichand and D.
1101-10—P. S. Batliwala. Jairam Doongersey. vs Diwabai widow. Tayabjee D. and Co.
1173-10—Jam R. and D. Mulji Haridas vs Motabhoy Mulla Essabhoy Payne and Co.
345-10—Jam R. and D. Sakarbai widow vs. Sakarchand Kessowji and others, Kanji and S., Mulji and K. and K. J. Dubash.
681-09—Payne and Co. Nawab Behram Jung vs Haji Sultanali Shashtry, Mah J and M.
631-10—Mirza M and M. Mahomed Ibrahim bin Kamrudin, Mukri vs. Shahabudin bin Haji Sharfuddin Ghattay, Captain and V.
238-03—Malvi H. M. and R. Jaydayal Lukhminarayen vs Ebji Umarsey, Ard. H. D. and Co.
231-08—Edg G. W. and Co. Sobhagchand Vassanji vs. Dada Aboo and another, Cap. and V.
371-06—Malvi H. M. and R. Messrs. Shivpartab Shrinivas vs Virupakshappa and another Dik D and S.
1154-09—Daph F. and D. The Indian Specie Bank Ltd. vs H. N. Vakil and another, Payne and Co.
316-09—Daph F and D. The Jain Mfg. Co. and another vs Messrs. Greaves Cotton and Co., Smetham B. and Co.
943-10—Edg, G W. and Co. Ravatmal Narandas vs Sobhagmal Dhudha Kanjee and S.
100-10—Little and Co, Chunilal Harilal and Co. vs J. T. Karaka and another, Payne and Co.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Beaman.)
Suits for Hearing and Final Disposal.
Long Causes.

1155-09—Chit M and K Mangesh Balkrishna vs. The Oriental Government Secretary Life Assurance Co. and Ltd—Ard. H. D. and Co. Part heard.
7562-11—Daph. F. and D. Ratanchand Khimchand vs Chandrabhagabai widow, Wadia G. and Co.
720-11—Captain and V. Bai Meherbai vs. B. N. Captain Wadia G. and Co.
695-11—Mehta and D. Bhagwandas Hanmandas vs. Shivji Cooverji Mulla and M.
722-11—Wadia G. and Co. Readymoney and Co. vs. Mansur Kacher Jehangir M. and S.
714-11—Mehta and D, Umer Moloo vs. Rasulbai S. A. Tyabji.
740-11—Hiralal and Co. Messrs. Talukchand Mansukhlal vs. Jasbhai Makandas and Co.—In Person.
123-11—Madh K and C. Vallabhdas Kessowji vs Hansraj Kanji—Little and Co.
451-11—Malvi H M and R Ranchodhbhai Kanjibhai vs Chotalal Atmaram Kaji—Motichand and D.
778-06—Mirza M and M—Anandrao Krishnarao and M vs Kakhmabai widow and others Tyabji D and Co.
569-10—Jehangir and S Essaji Moosaji vs Isaji Tajbhai and others—Ard H D and Co.
1026-10—S A Tyabji—Narbadabai vs Ahmed Sulemam—Payne and Co.
444-08—Wadia G and Co—P F Dalal vs N E Bottlewala—Cap and V.
614-11—Sme B and C Louise Phillip vs Messrs. Stanley Humphrey and Co. Crawford B and Co.
120-10—Little and Co—A K Noorbhoy vs Yamin Tarkey and Co.—Shroff D and D.
622-10—Hiralal and Co. S. Jumnadas Vijbukhundas vs. Sadashiv—Narayen Assare—Mirza M. and M.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Heaton.)
For Judgment. At 11-30 A. M.

168-11—Manchersha and N. Ismailji Esufali vs Abdool Hoosein Peerbhoy, Payne and Co.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Macleod.)
Suits for Hearing and Final Disposal.
Short Cause.

10-12—Little and Co. Weld and Co. vs. Harmukhrai Hanmanbux, Part heard.

Long Causes.

189-11—Jeh M. and S. The Advocate-General of Bombay vs Fatmabai and others Mirza M. and M. Part heard.
866-11—Ard H D and Co—Premchand Gellaji and Co vs Vasanji Damji—Cap and V.
1160-11—Bick M. and R. N. J. Gamadia vs. R. Valley Mahomed, Payne and Co.
959-09—Bick M. and R. N. G. Gamadia vs. Thakurdas and Co., Payne and Co.
533-11—Maneklal and T. Hajrabai widow vs. Abdul Rehman Sheikh Mahomed, Chitnis and M.
295-10—Captain and V. Dolatram Vithaldas vs Ramlal Chotani, S. B. Mehta.
606-10—Wadia G. and Co. Owen and Okell vs. Chunilal Damodar, S. B. Mehta.
149-11—Wadia G. and Co. C. F. Parelwala vs Cooverbai, Mulji and K.
758-11—Wadia G. and Co. Madangopal Chandratum vs Abdul Saker Esmail Jehangir & S.
798-11—Th. A. Gandhi. Damania Bros and Co. vs Sitaram Naidu Mirza and M. and M.
671-11—Mirza M. and M. Joshi Keshavram Pragji vs Halimabai widow, Payne and Co.
850-09—Payne and Co. Gulabchand Manalal and Co. vs Jewanchand Lalubhai and Co. Tyabji D and Co.
70-09—Payne and Co—Bai Kessar vs Purmanand Itchalal and others—Edg G W and Co.
112-04—M B Chothia—F J Aga vs R T Mody Khund L and M.
69-11—Sham M and H Bai Naval vs T H Desai —Th A Ghandi.
1072-10—Payne and Co—Gangabai widow vs V T Ramji Edg G N and Co.
466-08—Mat J. and M. Noorbai vs Salay Mahomed Haji Ahmed, Payne and Co.
708-08—Mat J. and M. Moosa Haji Joosab vs. Sulay Mahomed Haji Mahomed, Payne and Co.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY COLONEL R. W. L. DUNLOP, V. D.

Bombay, 25th January.

96. Camp of Instruction—The Annual Camp of Instruction will take place at Santa Cruz from the 27th January to the 3rd February, 1912.

Conveyance—On Saturday the 27th instant.

Special accommodation has been made for the conveyance of Volunteers to Santa Cruz by the train leaving Colaba at 4-10 p.m.

Fares will be paid for those Volunteers joining the train at Colaba, Church Gate, Marine Lines, Charni Road, Grant Road and Mahalaxmi Stations.

Volunteers travelling from any other Stations will pay their own fares which will be refunded.

The Railway authorities have made arrangements to reserve accommodation by the trains leaving to the following timings daily (from 29th January to 3rd February.)

From Santa Cruz 6-15 and 9-36 a.m.
From Colaba 4-10 p.m.

Railway Tickets—Railway tickets will be issued to members at the Orderly Room immediately after parade and Volunteers must on no account travel except by the trains notified in Regimental Orders or without tickets.

Bedding—All members sleeping in Camp must provide themselves with blankets and rugs.

Adjutant's Office—The Adjutant's Office will close in Bombay on the 26th and open in camp on the 27th instant.

Programme of Camp work can be obtained on application at Head-Quarters.

97 Church Parade—It is notified for information that the parade services for the Corps in Camp on Sunday the 28th instant will be as under :—

Roman Catholic—9 a.m.
Church of England—11 a.m.
Dress—Drill Order, uniform side arms only.

E. G. J. BYRNE, Captain,
Adjt. B. V. R.

NOTICE.

It is notified for information that all entries for Corps Sports to be held during Camp will close on January 30th. Entries must be made to Capt T. H. Potts.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

The B. I. S. N. Co's. steamer Itaura, 3,262 tons, Captain W. Bishop, sailed on Wednesday for Galle with ballast.

The steamer Shirley, 2,192 tons, Captain R. R. Blane, arrived in harbour on Tuesday evening from Calcutta, with a cargo of coal and paint. During the voyage she experienced fresh N. E. Monsoon down Bay of Bengal, moderate gale from Point de Galle to Cape Comorin, fine up west coast, and strong northerly wind from Vingorla to Bombay.

The Bombay and Persia S. N. Co's. steamer Khosrou, 2,410 tons, Captain J. Hannah, arrived in harbour on Tuesday evening from Jeddah with 866 pilgrims. There were four cases of small-pox on board.

The B. I. S. N. Co's. steamer Muttra, 2,985 tons, Captain H. Carey, arrived in harbour on Tuesday evening from Mauritius with a cargo of sugar and 11 cabin and 30 deck passengers.

The steamer Harpenden 2,302 tons, Captain A. G. Cormack, arrived in harbour on Wednesday from Calcutta, with a cargo of coal.

The Austrian Lloyd's S. N. Co's steamer Vorwaerts, 3,727 tons, Captain R. Dannacker, will sail to-day for Kobe etc., with a general cargo and passengers.

The Royal Indian Marine steamer Dufferin, Commander W. B. Huddleston, R.I.M., sailed yesterday for Karachi.

The B. I. S. N. Co's steamer Culna, 3,963 tons, Captain J. Farquharson, will sail to-day for Antwerp with a general cargo and passengers.

The B. I. S. N. Co's steamer Kola, 510 tons, Captain G. Elton, will sail to-day for the Persian Gulf via Karachi, with a general cargo and passengers.

The B. I. S. N. Co's steamer Baroda, 1898 tons, Captain H. McClelland, sailed yesterday for the Persian Gulf with a general cargo and passengers.

The B. I. S. N. Co's steamer Linga, 951 tons, Captain W. H. Rothwell, arrived in harbour yesterday from Karachi via Kathiawar Coast ports, with a general cargo and passengers.

The Bombay and Persia S. N. Co's steamer Moshtari, 1,107 tons, Captain G. Le Miere, arrived in harbour yesterday from Busreh with a general cargo and 13 deck passengers.

MEN-OF-WAR & ROYAL INDIAN MARINE SHIPS.

H M S Perseus	Comdr C P B Powell	R Navy
H M S Sphinx	Comdr John Harvey	Special Service steamer
R I M S Lawrence	Comdr de Burgh	R I Marine
R I M Dufferin	Huddleston	R I M

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—Jan. 24.

Annie Rickmer	2572	Oetling	T M & Co
Angus	2320	Dakers	T M & Co
Banca	3794	Potter	P & O Co
Baroda	1897	McClelland	P Gulf... M M & Co
Dunrobin	2319	Carr	T M & Co
Drachenfels	4515	Kupper	W & A G & Co
Harpenden	2302	Cromack	T M & Co
Gallia	555	Wratt	repairing ...J Mackintosh & Co
Kasara	504	King	M M & Co
Kuala	360	McLarin	K N & Co
Khosrou	2410	Hannah	Bo & P S N Co
Linga	951	Rothwell	M M & Co
Moshtari	1107	LeMiere	Bo & P S N Co
Muttra	2985	Carey	M M & Co
Rysbergen	2304	Burger	T M & Co
Shah Jehan	2635	McBean	Shah S N Co
Swazi	3174	Abbey	W & A G & Co
Shirly	2192	Stone	T M & Co
Kanzler	1665	Coltzan	Durban......16-2... A Strandes & Co

VESSELS IN DOCK.—Jan. 24.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessels.	Tons.	Capts.	Dest.	Date.	Agents.
A Woodbridge	2331	Motman	Hull	1-2	W & A G & Co
B Assaye	4359	Cookman	Shanghai	31-1	P & O Co
C&B Dido	3127	Banton			J F & Co
D & E Newby Hall	2481	Parker	L'pool		K N & Co
F Arenfels	2732	Neils			W & A G & Co
H Naderi	1168	Hughes			B & P S N Co
K Northumbria	2756	Medley	Ant.	2-3	W& A G&Co
M Salsette	2391	Lewellin	Aden	3-2	P & O Co
N Beckbersen	2447	Dettond	Ant.	26-1	T M & Co
P Ehrenfels	2780	Weyhausen			W & A G & Co
VICTORIA DOCK.					
1 Culna	3963	Farquharson	Antwerp	25-1	M M & Co
3 Northumbria	2756	Medley	A'werp		W& A G & Co
4 Barrington Court	2834	Williams	D'kirk	3-0	W & A G & Co
5 Clan Macalister	3065	Makepeace	Cochin	27-1	J F & Co
6 Imani	2979	Rosewaine	Dunkirk	26-1	W & A G & Co
7 Cleopatra	2129	Chersich	Trieste		A L S N Co
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23	Shirley	Stone	Calcutta, Jan 12
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	Muttra	Carey	Mauritius, Jan 11
24	Harpenden	Cromack	Calcutta, Jan 12
	Linga	Rothwell	Karachi, Jan 22
	Moshtari	LeMiere	Busreh, Jan 8

DEPARTURES.

Jan.	Vessels.	Commanders.	Destination.
24	Buffalo	Janson	Portsaid
	Itaura	Bishop	Galle
	Baroda	McClelland	Busreh
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The following vessels obtained their portclearances yesterday:—

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DECENTRALISATION.

In one of his last speeches in India Lord Curzon, reviewing the reforms in the administration for which he was responsible, declared that the first he effected had for its object the despatch of business. "Our methods were very dignified, our procedure very elaborate and highly organised, but the pace was apt to be the reverse of speedy. I remember in my first year settling a case that had been pursuing the even tenour of its way without ruffling the temper of one individual for sixty-one years. I drove my pen like a stiletto into its bosom. I buried it with exultation and I almost danced upon its grave. It was one of John Lawrence's sayings that procrastination is the thief of efficiency as well as of time; and though I would not say an administration is good in proportion to its pace, I would certainly say that it cannot be good if it is habitually and needlessly slow." And in this spirit Lord Curzon set about providing new machinery to enable India to grapple with new needs. He meant well, doubtless, but he did not succeed; for instead of distributing work and responsibility he sought to score every run off his own bat, to govern India from north to south and from east to west from his own office desk. The effect was far from satisfactory and the necessity for decentralisation became almost daily more clearly apparent. The Decentralisation Commission in 1909 recommended a distribution of authority in a variety of ways, but it was not until a short time before his death the other day, that Sir John Jenkins introduced a Bill in the Governor-General's Council designed to give effect to some of the Commission's recommendations. The object of that measure—the Delegation Bill to give it its short title—is designed to facilitate the delegation of executive powers and duties in respect of non-controversial matters and, as was asserted in Council a fortnight ago, it is laden with potentialities, sets up a precedent of special value with regard to the association of the duly constituted representatives of the people with the executive administration of the country, and will create a new bond of mutual help and co-operation which bids fair to open a new chapter in the public life of the country in its relation to administrative reforms. In the words of Mr. Syed Ali Imam, "problems of great moment are pressing themselves on the attention of the Government of India and the Local Governments. The legitimate aspirations of the people to take intelligent part in the concerns of their country rightly demand sympathetic consideration and earnest endeavour at the hands of the authorities and to secure this it has become evident that there should be some relief at headquarters from the wasteful expenditure of time and energy on the exercise of petty executive powers and duties." The measure may be taken in short as the first step towards devolution, the entrusting of greater responsibility to the Provincial Councils and enabling them to guide the destinies of their own provinces, subject of course to the supervision, but not unnecessary interference, of the Government of India.

The position and the necessity for change was expressed in the first despatch from the Government of India to the Secretary of State regarding the transfer of the capital from Calcutta to Delhi. The Royal visit, during which the despatches were published and Sir John Jenkins' Bill was introduced, diverted public attention and we doubt if those despatches and the draft Bill were studied as they would have been at any other time. In the first despatch, which we believe was from the pen of Sir John, it is admitted that the maintenance of British rule in India depends on the ultimate supremacy of the Governor-General-in-Council but asserts that the Indian Councils Act of 1909, itself bears testimony to the impossibility of allowing matters of vital concern to be decided by a majority of non-official votes in the Imperial Council. Nevertheless, the despatch continues, "it is certain that in the course of time, the just demand of Indians for a larger share in the Government and the country will have to be satisfied and the question will be how this devolution of power can be conceded without impairing the supreme authority of the Governor-General-in-Council. The only possible solution of the difficulty would appear to be gradually to give the provinces a larger measure of self-government until at last India would consist of a number of administrations, autonomous in all provincial affairs, with the Government of India above them all, and possessing power to interfere in case of misgovernment, but ordinarily restricting their functions to matters of Imperial concern. In order that this consummation may be attained, it is essential that the Supreme Government should not be associated with any particular provincial Government"—which it has been in Bengal, to the detriment of that presidency; and so accustomed has it become to dabbling in its affairs that Bengal may at the outset find difficulty in living up to its new independence. Close contact and perpetual interest in Bengal has led the Government of India into the practice of unnecessarily interesting itself in the affairs of other provinces, to the irritation of those provinces and with the result that business is neither facilitated, expedited, or performed so satisfactorily as is to be desired.

As the same despatch further asserts, the development of the Legislative Councils has made the withdrawal of the Supreme Council and the Government of India from the influence of local opinion a matter of ever-increasing urgency. "Events in Bengal are apt to react on the Viceroy and the Government of India, to whom the responsibility for them is often wrongly attributed. The connection is bad for the Government of India, bad for the Bengal Government and unfair to other provinces, whose representatives view with great and increasing jealousy the predominance of Bengal. Further, public opinion in Calcutta is by no means always the same as that which obtains elsewhere in India, and it is undesirable that the Government of India should be subject exclusively to its influence." The writer of that despatch was clearly the friend of Bombay and had present in his mind's eye the innumerable occasions on which the interests of Bombay have been sacrificed to those of Bengal as a result of the very influence referred to. One of the first recommendations of the Decentralisation Commission was that though provincial Governments should be subject in all respects to the general control of the Government of India and their functions and powers variable by the Secretary of State, future policy should be directed to the enlargement of the spheres of detailed administration entrusted to Local Government and the authorities subordinate to them. There were other recommendations which will have to be adopted if the new Councils are to become the Parliaments they were intended to be, and to be active agencies in the administration of the provinces, and among these will be the allotment to them more distinct sources of revenue and greater power over their Budgets, the right to impose special provincial taxation, subject to the preliminary sanction of the Government of India and Secretary of State and more elasticity of action in regard to a multiplicity of matters which now must pass through a long series of forms to the Government of India. The Bill now before the Select Committee, as we have said, is the first step towards making the Provincial Government really responsible bodies and their Councils representative assemblies; and notwithstanding Mr. Gokhale's declaration that it looks like asking the Legislature to grant a blank cheque to the executive, we believe that it will have the support of a majority of the Council and will pass into law. As its mover observed, when introducing it in September last, it is more restricted in scope in some material particulars than the measure which was proposed by the Royal Commission and the safeguards which are provided against injudicious delegations are somewhat more elaborate. It is calculated to result in greater economy and efficiency of administration and great convenience to the general public. "We must" said the late Sir John, "either be proposed to spread the powers exercised under different enactments over a very much wider field or we must provide for a perpetually increasing cost in the administration." And such is indubitably the case.

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Bombay Yarn. The dislocation of trade in China continues owing to the political disturbances there. In many of the Provinces the damage done by the revolution is so serious that even if the combatants come to a peaceful settlement at once, some months must pass before conditions can again become normal. In the meantime the Bombay yarn trade with China continues in a very unsatisfactory state. Some seem to hold the opinion that as soon as the disturbances in China are over we shall see a great demand springing up for Bombay yarn as in the interior of China stocks were reported to be very meagre some months ago and since then, owing to the outbreak of the civil war, business has been at a standstill and supplies could not be taken into the interior from the distributing ports; therefore, there will be a great clamour for supplies as soon as the disturbances are over and the lines of communication are clear. At the same time there are others who hold to the view that the great ravages the upheaval has caused in many parts of the country have materially reduced the purchasing power of the inhabitants. While opinion is divided at present, millmanagers have reason to be thankful for the opportunity they got some time ago, to dispose of practically their total productions for months ahead to first class buyers at remunerative rates. Since then, cotton has declined considerably and even if we see a better condition of affairs in China in the immediate future, we cannot expect yarn to realize rates anywhere equal to those which mills obtained from their buyers when cotton was much dearer and when the prospect in China was much better. At the present moment stocks of Bombay yarn are accumulating, and in Hong Kong and in Shanghai Japanese mills are anxious to sell their product to China. Their stocks are also growing weaker and already they have put down the prices of their 16s. and 20s. yarn to such an extent that the rates for 16s. and 20s. of our mills yarn have had to be reduced about Rs. 32 per bale in China, and even at such a great reduction, buyers are scarce. In the lower counts, the reduction in prices has not been more than 12 to 15 rupees per bale as Japanese competition is not so keenly felt in these counts the mills in Japan having so far found it advisable to manufacture No. 16s. count and higher only, leading the Chinese and Indian mills to attend to the lower counts. Owing to the great decline in the price of our 20s. yarn in China, the difference between the price of our 10s. and 20s. has been much reduced. As a rule it should be about an anna per lb., that is, about Rs. 25 per bale and at the present moment it is only about a quarter of that. This is an indication that the present range of prices for the low counts is fictitious as it is unnatural for the difference between No. 10 and No. 20 count to remain so small. Either the price of 20s. must go up or the rates for 10s. must decline. But there is not the shadow of a chance for our 20s. yarn to advance, while Japanese 20s. are selling so cheaply on the present basis of the low prices for the raw material, and therefore the prices of our low counts must drop in proportion, as the mills in China are sure to complete with us in these counts and bring prices down to their normal level very soon. At the present moment as practically all the yarn from our mills is in the hands of shippers and business in China, especially in Shanghai, is more or less at a standstill, prices are being maintained at a very high level. Under the circumstance it cannot do much good beyond helping to encourage Chinese mills to turn their attention more to the manufacture of Nos. 10s. and 12s. to compete with the Bombay mills, while there is such a good margin of profit. Possibly it may also open the eyes of the Japanese Millowners to a line which they have hitherto neglected as unremunerative.

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The Crystal Palace. Now that the Crystal palace has definitely become the property of the British nation, it is still a matter of controversy what shall be done with it, and the discussion goes on merrily. Most of the schemes which have been put forward hitherto, have been either Imperial or educational, or both, but a new and decidedly original suggestion is now claming attention. It is proposed to turn the Palace into a National Folk Museum, more or less on the model of the famous example at Stockholm. Here should be preserved some memorial of the peasant arts and crafts so fast dying out almost without leaving traces, and, as the museum directors say, the scheme, if delayed, will be soon impossible for dearth of material. The Folk Museum would "illustrate in a comprehensive and educational manner the culture-history and modes of life in times past of the English peoples." In the grounds of the Palace might be set up characteristic old buildings, which would otherwise disappear before the modern builder. Sir Paul Pinder's house, it is suggested for instance, would look better preserved in this way than as a fragmentary exhibit at South Kensington. In the great glass house would be a collection of things throwing light on the daily life, work, and amusements of the people. Another idea which might be copied from Stockholm is the provision of a place for the performance of national dances in the open air, although, in spite of modern antiquarianism, there is not in England the Swedish delight in old dances. The scheme might be held to clash with the new London Museum, but that is much smaller and more local in scope, while a museum, which is to be a store-house of national and local folk-lore, has a smack of romance about it, which should cause it to appeal strongly to the popular imagination.

The following Press Communique has been issued:—The Viceroy has nominated the Hon'ble Sir Archdale Earle, K. C. I. E., Secretary to the Government of India in the Home Department, to be Chief Commissioner of Assam, when the changes already announced have been carried into effect.

It is understood that Mr. W. J. Reid, Secretary to the Government of Eastern Bengal and Assam in the Financial and Municipal Department, will be Chief Secretary in Assam.

It is expected that the Lower Ganges bridge near Sara Ghat will not be finished until 1915 though steady progress has been made with the work.

The *Pioneer* learns that Mr. Hailey, I. C. S., Finance Member of the Durbar Central Committee, has recovered from his attack of enteric fever. He proceeds Home on leave next month.

Consequent on the abolition of the post of Inspector-General of the Civil Veterinary Department, Colonel Pease will revert to his appointment of Principal, Lahore Veterinary College.

Sir Reginald Craddock, the new Home Member of Council, will arrive at Calcutta on Saturday next and will assume office on that date.

The number of thefts of rubber in Ceylon, according to the *Times of Ceylon*, is increasing at an alarming rate, but our contemporary notes with satisfaction that more convictions are being secured, and that both the Magistracy and Judiciary are inflicting severe penalties.

THE GERMAN POINT OF VIEW.

Messages of British Ministers.

COLD RECEPTION IN BERLIN.

BERLIN, Jan. 5.

Little if any effect has been produced in this country by the Germanophile messages of British Ministers published in London and forwarded to the International Arbitration League. The telegram in which they are reported by the semi-official newsagency, on which the bulk of the German Press depends entirely for its foreign news, occupies no more than fifteen or sixteen lines, and several journals make no mention whatever of the matter, having evidently thrown this despatch contemptuously into their wastepaper baskets. In only one instance is any comment made upon it, and that is to the effect that the British Cabinet is evidently trying to dissuade the German Government from its intention to introduce a new Navy Bill. Germans of all political colours whose attention is drawn to such utterances invariably answer with the same stereotyped phrase, "We want deeds, not words," It is patent that until the fit of anger has completely evaporated no cordial response need be expected in this country to professions of friendship from England. In any case amicable sentiments will be completely thrown away upon Germany until after the Reichstag general election, for to many politicians a foreign enemy is an indispensable weapon in the struggle with the domestic foe.

It is significant that the report that the Emperor had accepted an invitation to visit Lord Lonsdale in September is semi-officially denied, on the ground, among others, that "relations between Germany and England have undoubtedly not yet assumed such a character that his Majesty could be inclined to appear so soon in the Island Empire."

"THE ENGLISH DANGER."

In the January number of his *Preussische Jahrbucher* Professor Hans Delbruck returns to the question of the "English danger," and argues that it can best be met by an increase not of the fleet, but of the army. He commences his remarks on this subject with the following gloomy picture of the present situation.

"One great anxiety throws its dark shadows over everything. The danger of war, which last summer was only just exercised, has retired merely for the moment, and stands irremovable and threatening on the horizon. There are people enough in Germany who contemplate this possibility without terror. War is for nations neither unnatural nor unhealthy. It creates moral values of inexhaustible power and the great strides of progress made by humanity rest, in the first place, on great wars." The professor proceeds to illustrate this assertion from history, but then dwells upon the horrors which a modern European war would involve, and continues.

"This war will come in the night, like a thief. 'The Germans will wake up one morning,' announced the English Minister, Mr. Lee, long ago, 'to hear that they had a fleet'; and it is only a few weeks ago that we were close, very close, to this precipice, that the English fleet was lurking to deliver a blow which would have opened all the gates of hell and let loose its horrors upon Europe. Is it any wonder that the German nation is moved to its depths, and is asking how it can protect itself against such terrors? Its anger is directed against England, which, while we were engaged in an absolutely legitimate settlement of accounts with France, without herself being affected in her interests, interfered and threatened us in the most brutal manner. Quite naturally the cry is that we must strengthen our fleet."

NAVY LEAGUE'S DEMAND.

The professor then expresses himself in favour of some measure which should relieve the German fleet of the temporary annual weakness which follows the departure of time-expired men and the arrival of the year's batch of recruits, but argues as follows against the Navy League demand for more big cruisers:

"Such a cruiser costs 50,000,000 marks. Increase of strength only occurs at the end of four years, after it has been commissioned. But precisely in this period our sea power, in any case, grows enormously, since, within it, both the North Sea-Baltic Canal and the harbour of Heligoland, as well as the four ships which, since 1908, we have laid down annually, will be ready. Moreover, the position of the English in India and Egypt, however much trouble they may give themselves, will become not better, but always more unsafe with years. Time is consequently on our side, and we must in wisdom avoid everything which could precipitate a crisis."

Having disposed of the suggestion that if Germany had been stronger on the sea Great Britain would not have held her "threatening language" as displaying "a decided misunderstanding of the psychology of the English nation," Professor Delbruck proceeds:

PURPOSE OF THE FLEET.

"Our strategic principle against the English (apart from other purposes of the fleet) is to be so strong, not that we can actually measure ourselves against them, but that they shall have respect for us, and fear the loss which even victory would bring them. On this idea our Navy Law is built up. Now, if we go beyond this law, although the assurance has been repeatedly given that the shipbuilding programme up to the year 1917 had been fixed once and for all, we have, it is true, a perfect right to do so, in the first place because every State has a right to determine its armaments according to its own pleasure; and, secondly, because the English threats have afforded us occasion enough; but it is also clear that we should thus complete the transition to the new principle, and thereby much increase the danger of precipitating a crisis, and therefore act against our own interests. The gain would be little, for the supremacy of the English Fleet, to which that of France would be joined, would remain overwhelming, and in the best case, if, namely, the English, instead of at once declaring war on us, were themselves to increase their construction, we should have no advantage. Finally, the technicians are full of progress—oil fuel and the Diesel motor, which can now be reversed, and if this proves practicable for big ships, coaling stations will not be necessary in future, as vessels will be able to carry with them fuel for months. The conditions of a naval war would be thus fundamentally changed, and the ships which we are building to-day would soon be obsolete."

The Professor concludes with a plea in favour of raising the peace establishment of the Army to 1 per cent. of the population, instead of 94 per cent., which it is to-day, on the ground that this measure "is not involved in the political danger which might accelerate a crisis against our interests and ensures us against an English attack much better than the Fleet, since it would terrify the allies which England would like to attach to herself."

It is characteristic of the present temper of Germany that even a man usually so moderate and fair-minded as Professor Delbruck should fail to consider even the possibility of Great Britain's attitude last summer having been one, not of aggression, but of defence.

REICHSTAG ELECTIONS.

In an article on the impending Reichstag elections the semi-official "Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" says:—"For forty years the German people has been building up its house, and has thought and worked for its economic development. Its need for peace has grown with its economic progress, and many have begun to believe that one's own application of a peaceable disposition is sufficient to preserve the peace of the world.

"A temporarily serious situation in world-politics showed us last year that a people which is undergoing such an economic development and in which all peoples of the world see arising a commercial and industrial competitor to an ever-increasing extent is only sure of that peace which it requires for its economic development, and which it strives to maintain, so long as its army and navy are adequate to effectively protect its frontiers and maritime interests."

The article concludes :—"We need a Reichstag which is ready to continue the economic policy we have pursued hithertho—a policy of commercial treaties and protection of national labour. We need a Reichstag ready to pursue quietly and deliberately our social policy, which is a guarantee of peaceful development at home. We need a Reichstag which is ready to keep our army and navy permanently in a state of the highest efficiency and to stop the chinks in our armour. "Social-Democracy usually refrains from coperating in the accomplishment of all these tasks. The final overthrow of this party, whose existence means a danger for the national unity of our people and for the preservation of the political, spiritual, and moral heritage of our fathers, is therefore a vital question for our Fatherland."

THE CROWN PRINCE.

The greatest surprise and some concern were caused in Berlin the other day by a telegram from Danzig stating briefly that the Crown Prince had not recovered and will not be present at the New Year's reception held by the Kaiser in Berlin.

Two opinions are current here. One recalls the incidents popularly supposed to have taken place in the intimate circles of the Imperial family, following upon the Prince's demonstrative behaviour in the Reichstag on the day of the Morocco debate, and concludes that his Imperial Highness is in seclusion in his garrison town. Against this view, however, must be placed the natural desire of the Crown Prince to see his youngest son, which would surely impel him to come to the capital as soon as possible.

The other opinion is that the heir to the German throne is more seriously ill than is officially admitted. The first intimation that the Prince was not in his usual health came on December 19, the day following the birth of his son, and it stated that his Imperial Highness was suffering from a severe cold which entailed the postponement of his journey for a few days. Shortly afterwards it was stated that the Prince was suffering from catarrh and inflammation of the throat. It is also a fact that the Prince did not attend the Christmas festivities of his regiment at Danzig.

BANK MESSENGER'S PERIL.

A most audacious robbery and murder was attempted yesterday afternoon in broad daylight in the very centre of Berlin. For many years the Darmstadt Bank has had in its service a messenger named Klein, whose duty it is to convey money to and from the various branches in different parts of the city. Some time ago a younger man, Julius Friehe, was taken into the bank's employment, in a similar capacity, and placed under the tuition of Klein, but eventually, promoted to the position of clerk.

The day before yesterday, as Klein was making his rounds he was hailed from a public motor-car by his former assistant, and invited to take a seat in the vehicle, which he did. Friehe then informed him that he was changing his residence, and would be compelled to make a motor journey every afternoon for some days with certain of his more precious possessions. He concluded by offering to give Klein a lift yesterday, This proposal was readily accepted, and at the appointed time the messenger, who was carrying a sum of upwards of £2,000, met Friehe outside one of the branches of the bank. They entered the motor-car and drove off together.

When they reached a street little frequented at that hour the clerk, as if by accident, let drop a few pieces of money. Klein stooped down to pick these up, and his companion at once flung a wire cord round his neck and attempted to strangle him. Fortunately for the messenger he was able to prevent the would-be assassin from accomplishing his purpose, and managed to open the door of the vehicle and call for assistance.

On being arrested Friehe admitted that he had planned the outrage a long time in advance, and had also armed himself with a life-preserver, with which to fell his victim in case the wire noose proved ineffective.

THE RIOT AT KOLAR GOLD FIELD.

Official Account.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BANGALORE, Jan. 24.

Official intelligence received from Kolar to-day concerning the cooly strike at Champion Reefs and the disturbance is to the following effect:—

There was an accident in Carmichael's Shaft, the incline skip jumping the rails, while hoisting from the 20th level, when one cooly jumped off and was killed, some others being injured, On this account the shaft could not be used for that day, and the coolies were unavoidably detained under ground some time. This exasperated them and they refused to respond to Sunday's roll-call. Some attempted to return to work, but were prevented and one ringleader was shut up in a room. The men rushed to this place, broke open the windows and released the man. The Deputy Commissioner, the Special Magistrate and the Police Superintendent then came on the scene, and were faced by from 4,000 to 5,000 coolies who were most boisterous, but there was no lawlessness. They complained of detention below the surface, dearness of hut rents, and foodstuffs, excessive fines, etc. They were promised enquiry and redress, but a few budmashes raided Stephen's Camp and looted sweetmeats and Marwari shops. Crowds assembled in thousands and thirteen arrests were made. The damage was slight. Since then the cooly shifts have gone on regularly, and matters have resumed a normal aspect.

THE HOME RULE STRUGGLE.

ANTICIPATIONS OF RIOT AT BELFAST.

Both Sides Make Ready for Violence.

UNIONISTS TO HOLD ULSTER HALL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, JAN. 23.

It is the Unionists' plan to remain in possession of the Ulster Hall from February 7th to February 8th.

LONDON, JAN. 24.

The anti-Home Rule campaign is proceeding in Lancashire and Cheshire. Sir Edward Carson, Mr. Walter Long, Mr. F E. Smith and Lord Willoughby de Broke are the chief speakers.

Addressing a meeting at Manchester, Sir Edward Carson announced that he was going straight to Belfast, but with no light heart. He was going on a grave mission for his fellow-countrymen.

Mr. Hobhouse, speaking at Bristol, said that in view of the language of the Conservative leaders in the Lancashire campaign, the Government was bound to regard threats of violence and of outbreaks seriously.

The Liberal Press call on Mr. Bonar Law and Mr. Austen Chamberlain either to denounce the policy of violence, or to accept the responsibility for it.

A manifesto issued by the Ulster Liberals denies that Mr. Churchill's meeting is a Nationalist gathering. It is wholly Liberal, and almost exclusively Protestant. They are determined to hold the meeting, despite all the forces of lawlessness and disorder. Should rioting ensue, the responsibility will be solely with the Unionist Councils.

Meanwhile the Unionists are elated at the manœuvre to secure the Hall. They point out that the spacious rooms and kitchens of the Hall will make the position of the force holding it not too uncomfortable. An audience of picked men is pledged to hold it against all comers, and to barricade the entrances.

Colonel Wallace, Grand Master of the Orangemen, says they will stick at nothing to demonstrate that Ulster will fight or die for its liberties.

THE COTTON DISPUTE.

Two Non-unionists Give In.

LONDON, JAN. 24.

The man, Riley, and his wife, whose refusal to join the union caused a further stoppage yesterday in their mill, have decided to join the union.

Miss Bury, the other non-unionist, has again left Great Harwood. Work at her mill has now been resumed.

LONDON, JAN. 24.

The Committee of the Master Cotton-spinners' Associations at a meeting in Manchester yesterday, decided that in view of the settlement of the loom dispute, it was not advisable to recommend a continued curtailment of production.

GERMAN REICHSTAG.

Socialists Claim to Nominate a Vice-President.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, JAN. 24.

The Reichstag will meet on Feb. 7th.

BERLIN, JAN. 24.

Altogether the Right have lost 35 seats to the Left. The majority of the Centre-Conservative block has now been destroyed, and the block is now dependent on its Polish and Alsatian allies. The result, however, will not affect the policy of the Government on defence and foreign affairs.

It is stated that the Socialists claim one of the two vice-presidencies of the Reichstag.

THAMES IRONWORKS.

Government's Offer Rejected by Men.

LONDON, JAN. 24.

According to the ballot of the Thames Ironworkers, 95 per cent. are against a 53 hours' week, which is the Government's condition for awarding the contract for two war-ships.

THE OPIUM CONFERENCE.

Convention Signed by Twelve Powers.

THE HAGUE, JAN. 24.

The Opium Conference has come to an end.

The plenipotentiaries of twelve Powers have signed the convention, which contains 25 articles.

THE DUTCH QUEEN.

LONDON, JAN. 23.

It is officially stated that Queen Wilhelmina's hopes have been disappointed.

GOLD FOR INDIA.

PORT SAID, JAN. 24.

The P. and O. steamer "Marmora" to-day shipped £200,000 gold for India.

THEIR MAJESTIES' RETURN.

Enthusiastic Welcome at Malta.

GRACEFUL COMPLIMENT TO FRANCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, JAN. 24.

Cardinal Bourne has arranged a thanksgiving service for the return of Their Majesties at Westminster Cathedral on February 6th.

MALTA, JAN. 24.

At the desire of King George, three hundred French bluejackets headed by their Admiral will precede the British Naval Brigade to-day in the march-past.

MALTA, JAN. 24.

In brilliant sunshine the "Medina" entered the harbour to-day, amid salutes from warships and batteries, and cheers of assembled multitudes.

THE CHINESE REPUBLIC.

Mulcting a Shipping Company.

SHANGHAI, JAN. 24.

The Republicans, who need funds to pay the army, demand that the China Merchants Navigation Company pay ten million taels, otherwise its ships will be commandeered and sold. The Directors have asked for time to consult the shareholders.

LATER.

The situation in China is complicated by Sun-Yat-Sen's open distrust of Yuan-Shi-Kai, whom he believes to be overmuch influenced by the Dowager Empress and the younger Mancho Princes, who now seem to favour immediate hostilities in preference to abdication. Yuan-Shi-Kai is surrounded by powerful enemies and keeps a large body-guard.

TURCO-ITALIAN WAR.

Austrian-Lloyd Steamer Stopped in the Red Sea.

PERIM, JAN. 24.

The Italians have stopped the Austrian-Lloyd liner "Bregenz."

PARIS, JAN. 24.

M. Legrand, the French *Charge d'Affaires* at Rome, has demanded that Marquis di San Giuliano, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, release the Turks, who were removed from the "Manouba."

Signor San Giuliano has delayed his reply until to-day, and will, in the meantime, confer with the Premier.

LONDON, JAN. 24.

There is every prospect of an amicable settlement of the Franco-Italian dispute regarding the "Manouba" incident.

ROYAL VISIT TO NEW YORK.

Visitors and Hosts alike Delighted.

NEW YORK, JAN. 23.

The Duke and Duchess of Connaught are keenly delighted with their informal sightseeing. The fact that Their Royal Highnesses are accompanied by an aide-de-camp only pleases the Americans.

The dinner, preceding the ball to-night, will be the most brilliant event of the social season. Three hundred invitations have been issued.

LONDON, JAN. 24.

The visit of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught to New York has been an immense success. According to some papers there has never been such a stir in America since the Declaration of Independence. The visit to Washington is equally gratifying to Americans.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKET.

Serious Split Regarding Triangular Matches.

MELBOURNE, JAN. 24.

Messrs. Trumper, Cotter, Armstrong and Carter have written to the Board of Control, declining to go to England to play in the triangular matches, except under a manager approved by the team.

The chairman of the Board says that the team will go to England, even if all the men who are now playing in the test matches, decline to go.

LONDON, JAN. 24.

The match between the M. C. C. and Tasmania was resumed in glorious weather. The wicket was in good condition, and there was a large attendance. The M. C. C. went in for their first innings to-day, and made 332 runs. Mead, in an excellent innings, made 98.

Tasmania then went in again and made 37 runs for one wicket, when stumps were drawn for the day.

ARGENTINE RAILWAY STRIKE.

BUENOS AYRES, JAN. 24.

A Government decree gives the railways four days in which to restore normal goods service.

NEGOTIATIONS are proceeding between well-known London financiers and two powerful American groups, says the "African World", for the formation of a trust company which will handle African mineral and financial enterprises, with special reference to Rhodesian mining interests. It is said that the capital will be in the neighbourhood of £10,000,000, of which half is to be available in cash.

POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS.

Proposed Amalgamation.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 24.

The following Resolution has been issued from the Commerce and Industry Department :—

The Government of India have, for some time past, had under their consideration the question of the possibility of amalgamation of the two great departments of Posts and Telegraphs. In all the important countries in the world where the telegraphs are administered by the State these departments form a single service, and experience elsewhere indicates that amalgamation in some form or other conduces both to efficiency and economy. The amalgamation of the services in India was suggested no less than forty years ago and since then the question has, on more than one occasion, been discussed. It was considered in 1905 when the Department of Commerce and Industry was created, but it was then decided without prejudice to the advantages which might ultimately be derived from such a measure that no steps could be taken towards carrying it into effect until the organisation of the Telegraph Department had been revised. The question accordingly was not lost sight of when the report of the Committee appointed in 1906 to enquire into the organisation of the Telegraph Department was received and proposals for the reconstruction of the Department were under consideration. In communicating his sanction to those proposals the Secretary of State placed on record that he only did so tentatively and he expressed a desire that the Government of India should keep steadily in view the advantages to the country which would be likely to result from the amalgamation of the two departments.

THE DUAL SYSTEM.

2. The reorganisation of the Telegraph Department, which came into force on the 1st of April, 1910, has effected the object which the Government of India had in view when their declaration of policy was made in 1906. The reorganisation has not only decentralised the administration of the Telegraph Department a considerable degree by rendering the Telegraph and Postal Circles in India conterminous but, has also brought the amalgamation a further step within the sphere of the practical politics. A dual system invoves a certain amount of overlapping of duties, particularly in connection with the administration of combined Post and Telegraph Offices and in several respects necessitates a duplication of expenditure. The Government of India are of opinion that an arrangement by which the administration of Post and Telegraph traffic would be entrusted to one set of officials while the engineering and technical work of the Telegraph Department would be carried out by another and distinct set, the administration of the whole Department being controlled by a common head would, if feasible, lead to increased efficiency and ultimately to economy. At the same time it appears to the Government of India to be essential in order to avoid any dislocation of business that no decisive steps should be taken towards amalgamation, until the way is absolutely cleared and that amalgamation, if it is proved to be practicable, should only be carried out gradually.

3. Keeping these principles in view the Government of India have come to the conclusion that the wisest course to adopt is, in the first place, to bring the administration of the two Departments together under one head. This measure will have the obvious advantage of placing at the disposal of Government the considered advice of an officer who in a short time will have experience of the inner working of both the Departments—an advice which is essential before any definite step can be taken towards the fusion of the services. It is a necessary outcome of the objects in view that the combination of the two offices under one head should, in the first instance, be a purely tentative measure.

JOINT CONTROL OF ONE DIRECTOR-GENERAL.

4. The post of the Director-General of the Telegraphs is now vacant and Mr. Dempster, who has been officiating in that capacity, has signified his intention of applying for leave in April next. The Government of India have decided that from that date Sir Charles Stewart Wilson, the Director-General of the Post Office of India, should also hold the office of Director-General of Telegraphs and under the title of the Director-General of Post and Telegraphs, should carry on the adminisration of the Telegraph Department in addition to his own duties. The appointment, as has been said, is temporary, but it has not been thought necessary to fix a definite period. It is the intention of the Government of India that Sir Charles Stewart Wilson should, after he has gained some experience of the Telegraph Drpartment, report whether a complete fusion of the Postal and Telegraph services is feasible and prepare a scheme for their gradual amalgamation. The general interests involved are of such importance that it is desirable that the public should be given a full opportunity of expressing their views on the question and the adoption of such experiments as may be made will afford a convenient means of forming an opinion. It is not the intention of the Government of India that any decisive step should be taken without obtaining the considered views of commercial bodies and the public at large.

EXISTING STAFF NOT TO SUFFER LOSS.

5. The Government of India earnestly desire that in such steps as may be taken towards the amalagamation of the two services all possible protection should be afforded to the personal interests and prospects of the existing staff of both the Departments in all grades. Sir Charles Stewart Wilson will be instructed to bear those principles in mind in formulating a comprehensive scheme. He will also be directed to see that there shall be no loss of emoluments, caused by any experiment in amalgamation which he may attempt, to any members of the staff either of the Post Office or of the Telegraph Department.

The Government of India have not underrated the importance of an objection previously raised when the question of amalgamation was considered in 1905, viz., that the head of both the Departments would be overburdened with work. Since that date the position has considerably changed. The reorganisation of the Telegraph Department carried out two years ago was designed to effect a very considerable devolution of authority and in the Post Office also recent years have witnessed the execution of numerous measures of decentralisation. The Government of India are of opinion that the control of both the Departments can now with safety be placed in a single hand. In view, however, of the fact that the duties which will devolve on Sir Charles Stewart Wilson will be specially onerous and difficult at first, the Government of India have decided to give him the assistance temporarily of Mr. W. Maxwell who as Postmaster General of the Punjab and as a Member of the Telegraph Committee of 1906-7 and of the Committee appointed to examine the working of the new system of duties in Telegraph Offices in 1908, has had intimate experience of the working of both the departments.

PRINCE ALEXANDER'S VISIT TO BANGALORE.

Views Field Manœuvres.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BANGALORE, JAN. 24.

After an early breakfast this morning Prince and Princess Alexander of Teck and party motored out about ten miles on the Magadi Road, west of Bangalore, to witness some extensive field manœuvres in connection with a promotion examination for cavalry officers. After lunch they motored to the old Nundidroog Fortress about 30 miles away, and will return to-morrow.

The dinner given in their honour last night at the Officers' Mess of the 7th Hussars was a brilliant function, about 36 officers and ladies of the regiment dining with Their Serene Highnesses.

After "The King," Colonel Poore toasted His Serene Highness welcoming him as an old brother officer, and the Prince replied appropriately, dwelling with deep interest on his former connection with the gallant regiment. The rooms were subsequently cleared for an impromptu dance, which lasted till 12-30.

The annual regimental tea and Christmas tree last evening at which Her Serene Highness Princess Alice gave away the prizes to the women and children of the 7th was a memorable entertainment for all concerned, much enthusiasm being manifested by young and old. A cinematograph exhibition closed the function.

BANGALORE, JAN. 24.

At the field operations to-day Prince Alexander of Teck and Admiral Sir Stanley Colville rode with Major General Mackenzie-Kennedy under whom the manœuvres were conducted and took great interest in the movements of the Artillery and Cavalry. On their return the Prince and the Princess and party lunched at "Westward Ho" with Captain and Mrs. Gibbs of the 7th Hussars.

This evening there was a quiet tennis party at "Trinity House," the residence of Colonel and Lady Poore and to-night a large dinner party was given there by the same hosts to meet the Prince and the Princess, the guests including Sir Hugh and Lady Daly and Miss Daly from the Residency, Sir Stanley and Lady Ismay.

To-morrow Their Highnesses will lunch with Major and Mrs. Norton of the 7th Hussars.

The party leaving for Seringapatam are Prince and Princess, Admiral Sir Stanley and Lady Adelade Colville and Colonel and Lady Poore and they will be the Maharaja's guests at Mysore Government House.

The races arranged for to-morrow have been postponed owing to continued serious illness of Mr. Sparks, Excise Commissioner, whose residence adjoins the race course. The public had looked forward to the opportunity of seeing Their Highnesses there.

THE ARYA SAMAJ AND DEPRESSED CLASSES.

Industrial School at Sialkot.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIALKOT CITY, JAN. 24.

The foundation stone of the Khusalchand Arya Industrial High School for the education of local depressed classes, started by the Arya Samaj of the Sialkot City, was laid by Colonel Popham Young, Deputy Commissioner, Sialkot, to-day. There was a large and representative gathering of the leading men of the place. Colonel Young was accompanied by Mrs. Young and Brigadier General H. P. Leader, Officer Commanding the Sialkot Brigade.

The proceedings commenced with the recitation of sacred slokas and the singing of Bhajans by the students of the Samaj Industrial School. Mr. Mulkraj, M.A., read an address welcoming Colonel and Mrs. Young. Mr. L. Langaram, the Secretary of the Samaj, then read the report of the reclamation work of the Meghs so far done by the Arya Samaj. After some recitations in Sanskrit and Urdu the chairman made an interesting speech expressing his warm sympathy with the reclamation work of the Arya Samaj. He exhorted all present, irrespective of caste and creed, to help the Arya Samaj in this work. Colonel Young then laid the foundation stone. The proceedings were brought to a close with the singing of Bhajanas by the Megh boys, a vote of thanks to Colonel Young and cheers to His Majesty the King Emperor.

THE BUILDING OF NEW DELHI.

Two Experts to be Sent from Home.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 24.

The following Communique has been issued:—With reference to a building scheme for the new city of Delhi it is authoritatively informed that the Secretary of State has been requested by His Excellency the Viceroy to select and send to India the best town-planning architect and the most expert sanitary engineer that can be secured. It is desired that these experts should reach India in April and visit Delhi both before and during the rains so as to be able to examine local conditions in all weathers. Until these experts have reported as to the best site near Delhi for the new capital no action will be taken by the Government of India beyond the acquisition of land in the immediate neighbourhood. A Committee will be formed later to supervise the execution of the plans agreed upon.

NEW SCHOOL AT BHARATPUR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, JAN. 24.

The *Pioneer* reports—"The opening ceremony of the new Sardar High School, Bharatpur, was performed by Sir Elliot Colvin, Agent to the Governor-General in Rajputana, on Friday afternoon. The Maharajah of Bharatpur and all the sardars and five officers of the State were present. Khan Bahadur Kazi Azizuddin Ahmed, the Revenue Member of the State Council, who is also in charge of the Education Department, read an address to Sir Elliot Colvin on behalf of the Council.

In the course of the address, Sir Elliot Colvin was congratulated upon the honour of receiving the title of K. C. S. I. at the Delhi Durbar.

NEWS from Tokio states that the Minister of Finance has declared that it was impossible, at present, to carry through the Government's naval expansion project. He asserted that the country was on the verge of bankruptcy. This, apparently, is the price of Japan's "successful" war with Russia.

DISTRICT BOARD RAILWAYS.

Schemes before Government.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, JAN. 24.

The *Madras Mail* writes :—"Recently we called attention to a scheme which the Board of Directors of the South Indian Railway had laid before the Secretary of State for India for forming a company to finance on an unguaranteed basis the District Board Railway projects which have been sanctioned by the Government, but the construction of which is likely to be long delayed while cesses raised by the Boards attain dimensions to justify a start being made. This, however, is only one of the two somewhat similar schemes for extending railway communication in South India which have been simultaneously submitted for sanction. The second has reference to a group of projected railways which traverse the jurisdiction of more than one District Board or which it has not been contemplated to construct out of funds provided by the District Boards. These projected railways comprise two groups, one consisting of lines in Madura, Ramnad and Tinnevelly Districts and the other a series of lines opening up communication with Coimbatore, Madura and Mysore. It is however only with the first group that the proposal of the South Indian Railway is concerned. These railways are from Trichinopoly to Panruti, from Trichinopoly to Ramnad and Virudupati to Tenkasi.

All lines are intended to short-circuit the existing South Indian Railway and open up tracts at present very imperfectly served both for goods and passenger traffic by the South Indian Railway. They are more or less urgently required, but prospects of money being found by the Government for one, to say nothing of all these lines is very remote. As a matter of fact one line, that from Trichinopoly to Panruti, was at one time on the Government construction programme, but it was subsequently removed and it has never been restored. In the case of District Board Railways we are assured of one thing, namely that when sufficient funds are collected lines will be constructed and it is even now possible to estimate with some accuracy when that will be, but in the case of the other proposal of South Indian Railway it is impossible to guess when one or any of lines will be undertaken as a Government project. If the proposal of the South Indian Railway Board to expedite the construction of District Board Railways is a sound one, it follows that the second proposal is equally sound. Both schemes were recently discussed by Sir Henry Kimber and Mr. Priestley with the Madras Chamber of Commerce which unanimously approved of the proposals.

RACING TRANSACTIONS.

Charge of Cheating.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, JAN. 24.

A case of alleged cheating in respect of two dishonoured cheques came up for decision before Major Hunt, Cantonment Magistrate, this afternoon. The accused was a Khoja Mahomedan named Abdullally Abdoola Parapia who had dealings with Mr. Ben Smith, Bookmaker, during the last Poona races. On the 9th August, 1911, the accused gave Mr. Ben Smith two cheques for Rs. 500 and R. 200 respectively in settlement of a debt due by him. Both the cheques were dishonoured subsequently. Mr. Smith then wired to the accused and his father informing them of the fact, but received no reply, and in consequence instructed the police. Although the amount has since been paid legal proceedings are being taken owing to the offence being non-compoundable. The accused's father who was examined for the defence said that the banking account was opened in his son's name. On several occasions he had asked his son to cash cheques against his account for betting purposes. On several occasions the cheques were drawn when there was not sufficient money in the Bank to meet them. Witness had always arranged for funds to meet them before they were presented. When witness discovered he had no funds in the National Banking Corporation he arranged that payment should be made by Mr. Parpia, another bookmaker, who was related to the witness intending to stop all dealings by cheque. This Mr. Parpia, however, failed to do in time to prevent action being taken. Accused further stated that he had an account in his own name in the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The case is proceeding.

PROPOSED ABOLITION OF R. I. MARINE.

Naval Conference at Calcutta.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 24.

The *Empire* states :—"There is a conference of Naval officers and officers of the Royal Indian Marine sitting at present to discuss the proposed abolition of the Royal Indian Marine. His Excellency Admiral Sir Edmund Slade is presiding. This may necessitate the postponment of the departure of the flagship for a day or two, but it is expected that the *Highflyer* will leave on Saturday for Bombay via Colombo.

ARBUTHNOT INSOLVENCY.

Fourth Allotment to be Made.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, JAN. 24.

An Insolvency Court will be held on the 12th February for the purpose of declaring the fourth dividend in the matter of the insolvency of Arbuthnot and Company. Claims of any creditors which have not been previously determined will be heard and determined.

THE ABOR EXPEDITION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JAN. 24.

The General Officer Commanding the Abor Expedition telegraphs from Yambung on January 23rd that a survey party left to visit Dosing and Parong and explore the valleys of Siom and Shamong rivers.

The Officer Commanding Mishing the expedition telegraphs that he has visited Kaking, Koiya and Kadu and found the inhabitants of those villages most friendly. The weather is still cloudy and misty.

GOVERNOR OF BENGAL.

Movement for Revocation of Appointment.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, JAN. 24.

The *Madras Times*, this morning says :—"The Bengalis' jubilation regarding the transfer of Lord Carmichael is naturally not shared by Madras, which is deprived of his services, and we are not surprised to see that an agitation is afoot to get the appointment revoked."

It concludes: "This is the senior Presidency, yet no province receives such scant consideration. Whether it is a question of finance, of a Royal visit, of Durbar honours or of a Governor, it is always Madras that is the "Cinderella" of the Empire. It is really time that we made ourselves felt."

ALLAHABAD, JAN. 24.

The *Pioneer*, commenting on the appointment of Lord Carmichael as Governor of Bengal, says:—

"As it is evident that the few weeks he has spent in India can not have influenced the Ministry in regard to Lord Carmichael, his transfer to the most difficult of Indian charges testifies to their high previous estimate of his abilities. He himself is making a thoroughlly disinterested choice. He is going to a province, where it is as hard for a Governor to succeed, as it is in Madras to fail. He is leaving a Governorship, in which it is still supposed to be possible to put by some money for the most expensive in India, which will probably become more expensive still, when the incumbent has to sustain the claims of official hospitality single-handed."

MUSSALMANS IN BENGAL.

New Demands in View of Re-partition.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 24.

A circular letter has been issued over the signature of Nawab Bahadur of Dacca, Nawab Abdul Jabbar, Nawab Serajul Islam, Nawab Hossain Haidar, Dr. Subrawardy, Mr. G. H. C. Ariff, Mr. A. Rasul and others calling a Conference to meet in Calcutta, on the 17th and 18th February, at which delegates from all districts in the two Bengals are to attend, to consider the steps necessary to safeguard Mussalman interests.

At the same time a memorial, submitted to the Viceroy by the Central National Mahomedan Association, has been published calling attention to the need of the safeguarding of Mahomedan interests under the modification of the partition, and pointing out a number of ways in which this can be done, the main points being that all important appointments in the new province should be divided equally between Mahomedans and Hindus; that the allotments of provincial grants for education in Bengal should be separately made in equal shares for Hindus and Mahomedans respectively; and generally, that the loyal Mussalman community in Bengal, by reason of the modification of the partition should not be allowed to relapse into an unhealthy condition of decadence, depression and despair.

The Association prays: (1) that half the Indian members of the Bengal Legislative Council should be Mahomedans; (2) that one member of the Executive Council should be Mahomedan, and if this be found infeasible the appointment should go alternately to a Hindu and to a Mahomedan; (3) that on district boards and municipalities, educational grants and representatives should be in proportion to the numerical strength of the population; and (4) that State patronage should be distributed according to the proportions of the population.

ASHE MURDER TRIAL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, JAN. 24.

The Public Prosecutor, before the Special Tribunal to try the Ashe murder case this morning, resumed his address, and continued to argue the question as to the admissibility of statements made by the first accused before the Magistrate, and the use of confessions made by him as against the other accused. Having cited authorities on the point, counsel next turned to the evidence against the second accused, and said that the *alibi* set up by him that he was at Alleppey on the 17th of June, 1910, was not consistent with the case for the prosecution, that he had been with the first accused on the 18th idem, at that place. Counsel maintained that the accused's statement that he had been at Tirupunatura for about seven or eight days, and had not gone to Alleppey was false, and was not corroborated by any evidence.

ALLEGED MISAPPROPRIATION OF A TIGRESS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, JAN. 24.

In the case of W. Elmore against S. O. Abel, manager, Hippodrome Circus, who stands charged before the Western Division Magistrate, Rangoon, with the misappropriation of a tigress, named "Minnie", several witnesses for the defence were examined to-day, whose evidence went to prove that the offer of Rs. 1,000 was made for the tigress by the complainant, and that the defendant positively refused to sell at that figure. Mrs. Ashby, one of the troupe, was asked by the complainant to keep the money for him, and she agreed. The following day Mrs. Ashby suggested to complainant that he should take back the money. He repeatedly refused and asked her to use her influence with Abel. She said she had no power, and complainant replied that whether he got the tigress or not, he would never take the money back, and would make a present of it to her.

FIRE IN LAHORE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, JAN. 24.

Last night some servants working at the local Montgomery Hall noticed the Deodar Cornice near the chimey on fire. Prompt measures were taken and the fire was immediately extinguished. Beyond the charring of one beam no damage was done. The chimney near which the fire broke out was connected with water apparatus.

QUIET IN SOUTHERN PERSIA.

ALLAHABAD, JAN. 24.

There is no further news of interest from Southern Persia, and roads about Shiraz are reported to be quiet.

NOTES ON INDIAN INTERESTS.

THOUGHTS BY A NATIVE THINKER.

THE SPELL OF WORDS. Of elocution there is no lack in India. It grows wild in this climate, and assumes an epidemic form annually in Christmas week, when the orators are abroad, holding high festival. They disburden their souls of their seething patriotism, discoursing upon the political, social economic and industrial condition of India. They talk of Swaraj and Swadeshism, and they offer to run the show of Government at much less cost, and with ever so much greater efficiency. Then with the consciousness of duty well done, they hibernate for the rest of the year. We are still under the spell and glamour of words. The Swadeshi fever was at its height a few years ago, and happily the feeling is still running strong within us; but the result has not been commensurate with the clamour raised over it, especially in Bengal. Some of us have fretted and fomed over the domination of our markets by the alien. But with all our talk, wild and grandiose, our progress in Swadeshism is hardly satisfactory. We have, indeed, started a number of concerns for the fostering of indigenous crafts and industries, but many of them have come to grief. Their failure has staggered the confidence of the people, who are rather afraid to invest their money in these enterprises. The Industrial Conference wants the Government to hold an inquiry, and tell the reason why they have failed. The task need not be left entirely to the Government. Surely, there are experts among us who are quite able to probe the question to the bottom, and they will be doing a service to their country. If they will have the courage to state the truth, although it may not be altogether palatable. For myself, I am all for Swadeshism, pure, not spurious. But we have yet to prove our capacity for organization and systematic endeavour. Our national infirmity is to lose ourselves in words. I do not, however, despair. I am rather hopeful. Nation-building is going on, no doubt. But it is not an affair of a day or a decade.

AIM AND PERFORMANCE. Conscious of the national infirmity, I feel sceptical about the success of any society or organization with a practical aim, and requiring money for its accomplishment. Nay, the more ambitious the programme, and the greater the flourish of trumpets with which it is announced to the world, the more dubious I feel about its ultimate success. But it is not always that big enterprises have ended in dismal failure. I confess to having made rather sneerful comments on Mr. Malabari's Seva Sadan, when the prospectus was out, but I am glad that it has been fulfilling its benevolent mission. I hope the Social Service League, started in this city, will succeed equally well. Its comprehensive programme includes sanitation and popular education, and it wants to extend its benevolent operations generally to the charitable, philanthropic and educational institutions of Bombay. The report says: "In connection with our programme of sanitary work, we have bought a hot-water boiler, and it has served good purpose in providing hot-water baths to the inmates of some chawls occupied by the depressed classes." The very modest beginning made by the League, as contrasted with its ambitious aim, may raise a smile. But it need not be a smile of doubt; for small beginnings have sometimes a great ending; and an enterprise commenced with hot-water boiler may serve, in the end, to revolutionize the primitive notions of the masses in respect of sanitation. For all its lofty aspirations, the League does not want to put any strain on the resources of the public of Bombay. It appeals for a sum of only Rs. 1,500 to meet preliminary expenses. The promoters evidently want to feel their way in the beginning. Unless this amount is forthcoming, the chances are that the League will die of inanition, leaving a hot-water boiler as its melancholy monument.

MOSLEMS AND THE PARTITION. The Mahomedans are grieved by the annulment of the partition of Bengal. They are naturally unwilling to forego the special advantages which they enjoyed under Lord Curzon's measure. Their sorrow is not loud, but deep. They feel a sense of helplessness before the Royal decree, and they do not like to risk their reputation for loyalty by an active agitation against it. Their leaders have yet made no sign, and if H. H. Sir Aga Khan, their most illustrious captain, were consulted, I am sure he would enjoin a dutiful and discreet silence upon his brethren, for the very good reason that it is now fruitless to complain. We have had it on the authority of the Government of India, that the Hindu population of Bengal was labouring under a just and serious grievance; and if the Mahomedans, as a consequence of the partition, enjoyed a preferential treatment, to which they were not fairly entitled, its modification provides them with no real ground for complaint. They have no reason whatever to go into mourning, as we were lately assured by Nawab Viquar-ul-Mulk that they have. He says that the revocation of the measure is "a great political mistake"; that it "betrays the weakness of the Government, and is calculated to give rise to a feeling of distrust in its future promises and actions"; and that it has created "entire dissatisfaction" in the community. I suppose that since he wrote these fiery sentiments for "The Aligarh Institute Gazette," he has had time to cool down, and bring himself to a more reasonable frame of mind. I should be surprised to find that the Moslem leaders or the general community have not yet recovered from the first shock of the announcement made at the Royal Durbar. I am rather of opinion that time has done its work, and that they are no longer prepared to throw away their reputation for sobriety and good sense.

MOSLEM POLICY. Some Moslem leaders are in the habit of declaring that this or that cause of offence was likely to cost the Government the loyal support of the community. I am loath to believe that their loyalty is so weak and fragile as to collapse under the slightest excuse, or that it is a mercenary *quid pro quo*, which can be sustained and kept alive by special favours alone. I should rather be willing to believe that it is a genuine sentiment, deep in the heart of the community, and not a base article just useful for the purpose of exchange and barter. Shortly after the declaration about the partition, a meeting of Musulmans was held in Calcutta, to consider whether the time had not arrived for a change of policy with respect to the other communities of India. It is just possible that the meeting held so soon after the Royal pronouncement, was an accidental coincidence. But it was unfortunate none the less, as giving rise to suspicion as to the motive of its promoters. Whatever it may be, I notice a growing disposition on the part of Moslem representatives to befriend the Hindus, and join the National Congress. They are gratified to observe that at the last Congress, Moslems attended in unusually large numbers. They have made the discovery that duty and patriotism alike demand, that they should combine and co-operate with their Hindu neighbours, and a few more ardent souls are now able to contemplate with much composure the final goal of self-government as the consummation of the highest aim of India. They have been writing letters to newspapers in favour of a living, active, political faith, if they were to maintain their proper place among the other races of India. It is declared that communal representation, for which they had fought and agitated, having become an accomplished fact, it has ceased to act any longer as a vivifying force; that they must find out other sources for a constant supply of energy and activity to stimulate and spur them on in the world of politics. It is apprehended that otherwise, there would be passivity, which would mean stagnation, inertia and decrepitude. Indians have cordially echoed the wish expressed by H. M. the King in one of his farewell addresses for the maintenance of unity and harmony between all races and creeds in this country, and we should, therefore, heartily welcome a rapprochement between the two most numerous and important races of India. But the union can only be of advantage to the Commonwealth, if it is based on principles, untainted by opportunism, and unalloyed by sulkiness or spite. If the union springs from a pure desire to promote the true welfare of the Motherland, by strictly constitutional means, and with scrupulous regard to peace and order, then surely we should hail it with joy. Then we may hope that it will instil into the two communities a sense of charity and tolerance for the religious observances of one another, and that disturbances, arising from bigotry and fanaticism, will cease to be periodical. Meanwhile, the disposition to establish happier relations may be encouraged. The Moslems have held out the olive branch, and the Hindus are eager to grasp it. Either side is applauding the scheme of the other for a communal University, and are profuse in their wishes for its success. The omens, if I read them aright, are good.

DION.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT BOMBAY EXHIBITION.

Mr. G. F. Chalk, the Coroner, held an inquest yesterday, at the European General Hospital, on view of the body of Mr. Alfred Sinnatt, third officer of the Bombay Persia Steam Navigation Company's s. s. "Naderi," aged 40, who fell out of a car on the Himalayan Mountain Railway at the Exhibition of Old Bombay on Tuesday night and died while he was being removed to hospital.

It appeared from the evidence that the accused had been drinking with some friends at the Exhibition, and the captain of his ship stated that he was a man who could stand little liquor. Later, he went on the mountain railway and they were described as a lively and noisy party.

FitzGeorge Simpson, a driver on the same railway, said he brought his car to the platform, when the deceased got into it with about four others, and sat in the third seat from the front with a soldier. Witness started the car as usual with twelve passengers, and controlled it from the centre seat. Nothing happened until the car was going down to the first tunnel, when a soldier stood up in front of the witness and said that a man had fallen out on the top. All four of them were standing up, shouting and making a noise. Witness did not see the deceased actually fall out as he was sitting down and the deceased and the others were standing up. They were a noisy crowd. He did not believe the soldier who said that a man had fallen off, and he asked the passengers behind him, who told him to go on, saying the other fellows were only humbugging him. He went on and when the car reached the platform told the story to the man in charge of the railway. By the time the witness came in, another car had passed the spot, where the deceased had fallen. Three or four men were sent up to search and shortly after witness heard that a man had been found on the track. The deceased must have fallen whilst standing up in the car. The party seemed to be a jolly one and had about five rides. Nothing went wrong with the car and no other passenger was injured.

It was stated that the deceased was found lying on the right hand side of the track with his head and one leg hanging over the side. The deceased whose head and face were smashed was unconscious and died not long afterwards.

The jury returned the following verdict: "That the death of the deceased was caused from injuries received by an accidental fall from a car on the Himalayan Railway. We are of opinion that the deceased fell out while he was standing up in the car."

THE LATE MR. J W. S. DRACUP.

A meeting of the barristers and pleaders practising at the police Courts in Bombay was held yesterday in the Library Room of the Esplanade Police Court to consider what steps should be taken to perpetuate the memory of the late Mr. J. W. S. Dracup, Presidency Magistrate. Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate, presided, and among those present was Rao Bahadur Chunilal H. Setalvad.

Mr. Rustom D. N. Wadia moved: "That a Committee consisting of Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Mr. P. H. Dastur, Rao Bahadur Chunilal H. Setalvad, Mr. F. Oliveira, Mr. S. G. Velinker, Mr. M. H. Haveliwalla, Mr. H. A. H. Payne, Mr. S. B Kapadia, Mr. N. N. Saher, Mr. B. N. Athavle, and Mr. Vicaji F. Vicaji be appointed to collect funds and report as to the most suitable way of commemorating the memory of Mr. J W.S. Dracup, late third Presidency Magistrate.

Mr. Wadia said it would have been difficult to find a worthier man than Mr. Dracup as lawyer, as Presidency Magistrate or as a citizen. Mr. Dracup began life on the lowest rung of the ladder and rose to his position by sheer ability. He was well known for his courtesy to all and his extreme desire to do justice.

Mr. P. Godinho seconding the motion said the late Mr. Dracup had many claims on them and his memory should be perpetuated in a manner worthy of his qualities.

The resolution was carried :—

THE NEW RUPEE.

To be Withdrawn from Circulation.

The new rupee bearing the effigy of His Imperial Majesty King George V. bearing the year 1911 has been decided to be withdrawn from circulation. Owing to the imperfect representation of the elephant on the collar of His Imperial Majesty shown on the obverse of the coin the Mahomedans would not welcome the design and in several cases Mahomedan shopkeepers, dealers and merchants refused to touch the coin. Their contention is that the animal looked like a pig and their religious susceptibilities would not permit them to touch a coin as bears the representation of such an animal.

A Government Circular has been issued to all Presidency Banks and treasury offices to cease issuing and re-issuing respectively the coin. The new coin struck from a new die with a slight alteration can be distinguished from the present "George V Rupee" by the year. The present coin bears "1911" the one with the alteration will bear "1912".

One of the chimneys in the Central Hotel, Simla, caught fire on Tuesday evening, but owing to the prompt action of the Hotel residents, the fire brigade and the police, no serious damage resulted. Portions of the wall and woodwork urrounding only were burnt.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Work of the Bombay Auxiliary.

At the annual meeting of the Bombay Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon, when H. E. the Governor well preside, the annual report, from which the following are extracts, will be read :—

It was stated in last year's report that Dr. Mackichan had made several efforts to secure a missionary who could be relieved of some of his ordinary work in order to fill the place that had become vacant in the Revision Board. Until the beginning of July, no one could be found to undertake this duty. During the first half of the year he had therefore to work alone along with the Shastri. The Book of Proverbs was selected as the next book of the Old Testament to be revised, as the portion of scriptures has an exceptionally large circulation. When the greater part of this book had been gone through, the services of the Rev. Canon Joshi of the C. M. S. were lent to the Society, and Dr. Mackichan has, since July of the past year, continued along with Canon Joshi the work of translation. The Book of Proverbs has been completed and is ready for publication in a tentative addition. The translation of the Book of Isaiah was next taken in hand, and at the close of the year a considerable portion of this book had been gone through. As in the case of the revision of the English version, it was found that the Old Testament books needed revision of the translation more than the books of the New Testament, so in the Marathi version there is greater need of a change in the translation of the Old Testament. The translation of the Old Testament has been subjected to little revision since it was first issued, and there is internal evidence to show that in some cases the old translation was made not from the original Hebrew, but from the English Authorised Version. Hence the work of revising the old translation is one of greater difficulty. In this connection we have been in the habit of using the word "revision," but in most cases the work is really a fresh translation from the original, the old translation being referred to and its language used when it is found to express the correct sense of the text.

During part of December an enlarged committee, appointed by the auxiliary, met to go over the tentative edition of the Psalms with a view to its being published as the authorised revised version. This Committee, which included, in addition to the Revisers, the Rev. Canon Heywood. (C. M. S.), the Rev. S. B. Lotlikar (S. S. J. E.,) The Rev. Dr. Macnicol (United Free Church of Scotland Mission), and the Rev. S. V. Karmarkar of the American Mission completed the final revision of about one third of the Book of Psalms. The remainder of this work will, it is hoped, be completed at the next series of sessions of this committee, when the edition will be ready for publication.

Rev. H. R. Scott, of the I. P. Mision Press, Surat, writes to say that no meetings of the Gujarati Revision Sub-Committee took place during the year, but he hoped it might be possible for the members to meet in 1912 during the rains.

PUBLICATION.

The total number of copies of the scriptures printed by order of the Committee was 205,000; of this number 150, 000 copies were in Marathi, and 55,000 in Gujarati. The total cost of printing, binding, paper, revision and proof-reading amounted to Rs. 8,416-4-0, which is, as usual, the heaviest item in the year's expenditure.

COLPORTAGE.

The committee are very thankful to be able to report again a considerable increase in the sales by their colporteurs working in different parts of the Presidency. The sales under this head were 77,494 during the year, and the number of men employed in the work averaged 40 as compared with 67,248, and 30 in the previous year. The field has never been so well covered by workers as at present, and as the sales of our men are for the most part gospels in Marathi and Gujarati and the other vernaculars, we may well believe that the Word of God is permeating the life of the people all over the country. In looking through the monthly reports received from the Colporteurs' superintendents, we find that as many as 7,303 copies of Gospels were sold in one particular month. As a rule about 6,000 copies are sold every month. It costs the society an average of nine pies per copy, to place the book in the hands of the purchaser, and when it is remembered that each copy costs about 4 times its selling price, an idea my be formed of the loss involved in carrying on this important department. That the work is worthy of all this expenditure we do not doubt, and we are glad to note that the parent society, notwithstanding its present difficult financial position entailing economies in other branches of the work, does not wish to go back on the a advance made to widen the distribution of the scriptures by means of Colportage under this agency. The effort made during the past few years to circulate the scriptures among the crowds on the maidan, Bombay at the annual Cocoanut Fair, was continued this year with the result that in the few hours available for work 350 copies of the Gospels were sold. The amount received by the colporteurs as proceeds from sales was Rs. 1,761-6-9, while the total expenditure for the year was Rs. 6,031-13-2.

BIBLEWOMEN.

The work of carrying the Gospel message to the women and girls was continued during the year, although no increase in the staff was made. It is a matter for regret that the Biblewomen do not sell more copies of the Gospel than they do, but the difficulty of illiteracy stands greatly in the way. A circular letter was sent to all superintendents of Biblewomen to bring this question more prominently before the minds of the women, and we hope the result will be a large circulation, or at least a greater effort to place the word of God in the homes visited. The Biblewomen report that 3,415 women have had the Gospel story read to them per week, and 117 have been taught to read for themselves. It is gratifying that notwithstanding the difficulties in the way of scripture circulation, 898 copies have been sold, as compared with 576 in the previous year. On this department of the auxiliary's efforts, there was spent the sum of Rs. ,5,212-2-0 in the year under report.

FINANCE.

The abstract statement of accounts for 1911 shows that the total receipts amounted to Rs. 67,894-14-11. This includes a credit balance of Rs. 18,249-7-9 brought forward from the previous year. The total expenditure amounted to Rs. 62,827-11-4, leaving a balance of Rs. 5,067-3-7 to be carried forward into 1912.

The income from the sales of scriptures was Rs. 6,029-0-8, as compared with Rs. 4,446-15-6 in 1910. It cannot be too strongly emphasised, however, that these sales consisted of scriptures that were sold at approximately one-fourth of the cost price. The small Gospels and other portions in the different vernaculars which we sell at a pice, cost the Bible Society nearly one anna, and when it is considered that supplies to Missionaries are sent out allowing discounts of 12 1-2 per cent. and 25 per cent., and that the Society pays carriage in most cases to destination, this loss is largely increased. Receipts from contributions and collections amounted to Rs. 7,783-15-2, an increase of Rs. 744-10-3 on the previous year's figures. The parent society was called upon to meet our requirements to the extent of Rs. 31,450-0-0 which is again larger than usual on account of the building work payments. On the expenditure side of the account the largest figure is of course this last item, which amounted to Rs. 29,10?-7-1. Next to this comes the expenditure incurred for printing, binding, paper, proof-reading and revision of scriptures published under the direction of the Committee. This item is always the highest charge in the ordinary year's expenditure and amounted to Rs. 8,416-4-0 in the year under report. As already mentioned the work of the colporteurs and Bible women incurred an expense of Rs. 6,031-13-2 and Rs. 5,212-2-0 respectively. We are exceedingly indebted to Mr. Wright for his generous services as Honorary Auditor of the auxiliary's accounts this year again, and tender to him our warmest thanks and hearty appreciation.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

We are very grateful to be able to report another record figure under the head of contributions from friends in Western India. The total amount received was Rs. 7,782-15-2, which is an increase of 744-12-3 over that received in 1910. For the seventh year in succession it is our pleasure to report an increase, and we trust we shall be able to chronicle such a satisfactory conditions of things for a good many years to come.

CIRCULATION

The total issues from the Bombay Bible House between December 1st, 1910, and November 30th 1911, were as follows: Bibles 4,063, New Testaments 6,178, Scripture portions 137,590, making a total of 147,831 copies. Deducting the scriptures sent to the Bible House, London, and to the various British and Foreign Bible Society Agencies in India and elsewhere, the number of books actually circulated in Western India, was: Bibles 3,843 copies, New Testaments 5,651 copies, and scripture portions 131,358 copies, making a total circulation for the year of 140,852 copies in 31 different languages. It is a matter for sincere gratitude that we are able to announce for the fourth year in succession an increase in the circulation of the auxiliary which has now reached a higher figure than in any previous year. The actual increase in the figures for 1911 over those recorded for 1910 is 1,945 copies. It is very gratifying to be able to chronicle this result when it is remembered that conditions of scarcity and famine have prevailed over a considerable portion of our area.

GIFTS AND PRIZES.

The Society has continued to make gifts to successful students in connection with the University examinations throughout the year. These numbered in all 704 copies.

DECREASE OF BIRTH-RATE IN MYSORE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BANGALORE, Jan. 24.

Gradual decrease in the registered birth-rate of the Mysore State is reported by the Sanitary Commissioner in his remarks on the past official year's statistics. He adduces reasons to believe that the system of registration is defective. Death rate was also in excess of the previous year. Infant mortality rose significantly and he recommends serious investigations.

THE FOREIGN CABLE COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION

Great Britain.	Continent of Europe.	America.	Australia.	China.	Africa.
Via Teheran Perfect.	Via Teheran Perfect	Via Brest Perfect.	Via Penang Perfect.	Via Penang Perfect.	Via Aden Perfect.
Via Turkey Perfect.	Via Turkey Perfect.	Via Valentia Perfect.	Via Amoor Perfect.	Via Amoor Perfect	Via Cadiz Tene riffe Perfect.
Via Suez Perfect.	Via Suez Perfect.	Via Direct Cable Perfect.	......	Via Bhamo Interrupted.	Via Lisbon St. Vincent Perfect.

Latest dates of Foreign Messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m. of the 24th January, 1912.
(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time Occupied in Transmission Hrs.	Mts.
Turkey......	...	...	...	...	...
Teheran ...	24	14	5	...	31
Suez.........	24	12	35	2	25

NOTICES.

Telegrams for Morocco are subject to very great delay and can only be accepted at sender's risk. (18-8-11.)

Telegrams for all places in interior of China, excepting stations on the coast booked by routes other than Bhamo can be accepted at sender's risk. (25-10-11.)

Bhamo route to China is entirely closed to traffic at present (1-11-11).

Until further notice telegrams (code) for Turkey cannot be admitted (14-10-11).

Italian administration notify that telegrams for Tripoli are admitted only in plain language and at sender's risk. As an exceptional measure short telegrams in cipher or code language are also admitted if forwarded via Italy and those concerned deposit two copies of their code, one at the Telegraph office at Rome and the other at the Tripoli Telegraph Office (20-10-11).

It is further notified that the maximum number of words which can be sent in code or cipher telegrams is fixed to twenty-five (24-10-11).

Ramhormuz line interrupted to Ahwaz since 7 a.m. (31-10-11).

Bushire reports messages for Ahwaz and Mohammerah should not be marked "by post over interrupted section." There is no postal service over interrupted section and line is not likely to be restored till next April or May. Therefore all messages for those stations should be accepted "post Bushire." Mail for Mohammerah and Ahwaz leaves Bushire every Wednesday morning and post messages for those places should reach there not later than 6 p.m., Standard Time, on Tuesday (14-12-11).

Telegrams for following offices in first region of Egypt can only be accepted in plain language at senders' risk. They should be written in plain language English or Arabic only (1) Ras et Dabaa (2) Marsa Matrough (3) Sidi Barrani (4) Siwa (12-12-11).

BURNING OF THE "CHESAPEAKE."

Among the passengers by the P. and O. liner "India" which arrived at Plymouth on Dec. 29, was Capt. W. Read and fifteen of the Chinese crew of the oil-tank steamer "Chesapeake," which was burnt in the Atlantic while on a voyage from New York to Algiers and Venice. Capt. Read stated that an explosion occurred when the ship, which left New York on Dec. 1, was five days out, and the vessel caught fire. Mr. F. R. Cook, the chief officer, and Mr. Claphouse, the chief engineer, were seriously burnt in their efforts to extinguish the fire, and some of the crew were also injured. It was found necessary to abandon the ship, and all hands took to the boats. Capt. Read and twenty-one of the crew were drifting about for seven days in two boats on a very small allowance of food and water, and were then picked up by the German steamer "Adamstown," and conveyed to Gibraltar. The other two boats, one of which was in command of Mr. Burnham, the second officer, were lost sight of during the first night after leaving the ship, and were not seen again. After the surviors were landed at Gibraltar, Mr Cook died from his injuries, but the engineer, Mr. Claphouse, was progressing favourably when the "India" left Gibraltar.

Advice to Mothers:—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere.

By the enterprise of the Metropolitan Railway Company London, is to have a new thoroughfare, and when the next map of the metropolis is issued Liverpool-street Arcade will have to be included. The new thoroughfare connects Liverpool-street with Broad-street, and will cut off a large corner. It has been constructed over the Liverpool-street station of the Metropolitan Company, and nearly thirty shops have been built. There is a clear way of eighteen feet in the passage, and the shops go back a considerable distance. The rents of the shops range from £150 to £350, and already a number have been taken by well-known firms.

SPORTING NEWS

BOMBAY 7TH EXTRA MEETING.

Handicaps.

Saturday, 27th January.

THE EPSOM PLATE.—Distance about 7 furlongs. Merry Spinner, 10-7; Punt, 9-12; Coat-of-arms, 8-11; Forfeit, 8-10; Gallileo, 8-5; Solution, 8-3; Elser, 8-2; Langton, 8; Aqueduct, 8; Bachelor's Belle, 7-12; Metal Boy; 7-11; Pincher, 7-10; The Cellarer, 7-6; Bright Metal, 7-4.

A SELLING PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs. Huka, 9-13; Chivalry, 9-11Ruby; Tin, 9-3; The Cellarer, 9-1: Wassail, 8-6; Danseuse, 8-6; T. M. S. 7-10; Pantry Girl, 7-9; Torzal, 7-8; Yvette, 7-2; Boomey, 7-0; Mandeville 6-12.

Two top weights not accepting, weights to be raised 7 lbs.

THE MATOONGA PLATE.—Distance about 1 mile, 1 furlong. Grand Duke, 10-4; Braganza, 10-3; Peculiar, 9-7; Sir Visto, 9; Guinea Gold, 9; Parliament, 8-10; Winchester, 8-7; Money, Gold, 8-6; Sir Hugo, 8-6; Baloz, 8-5; Well Done, 8-1; Merrily, 8; Grey Falcon, 7-12; Regent, 7-8 Ghalyum, 7-7; Bay Middleton, 7-5; Guinea Merchant, 7-5; Mysore, 7-1; Crown Prince, 7; Bombay Bank, 6-7.

Two top weights not accepting, weights to be raised 3 lbs.

THE DADAR PLATE :—Distance about 7 furlongs. Ashroff, 10-6; Zinfandel, 9-6; Duma, 9; Young Thara, 8-13; Soomsam, 8-11; Stanthony, 8-11; Grey Falcon, 8-8; Lama, 8-8; Mudkoor, 8-6; Fairplay, 8-4; Saree, 8-3; Prime Minister, 8-2; Plassy, 8; Bay Middleton, 8; Pendil, 7-12; Mutrood, 7-11; Little Laffy, 7-11; Minton, 7-11; Sir Edward, 7-10; Sweden, 7-7; Baldwin, 7-7; Engineer, 7-6; Borgavi, 7-6; Makeb, 7-4; Fado, 7-3; Mexico, 7-2; Regiment, 7; Mezahim, 7; M. V. O. 6-12; Shihab, 6-10; Upright, 6-10; Dimshak, 6-8; Sinclair, 6-3; Solitaire, 6.

In the event of this handicap being divided, weights may be raised or reduced, in accordance with Clause 2 (e) General conditions should there be no division and top weight not accepting, weights to be raised 6 lbs.

BOMBAY RACES.

FOURTH DAY—WEDNESDAY, 21st FEBRUARY, 1912.

THE EXETER PLATE.—Distance—About 7 furlongs.
Mr. R. Craig Mc Kerrow's b e m Victo, (6 years)
Zemindar of Sivagiri's b e m Sanhedrin, (5 years)
Zemindar of Sivagiri's ch aus h Barm, (5 years)
Zemindar of Sivagiri's be aus h Black Douglas, (aged)
Mr. Kelso's br aus g Paul Pry
Mr. Kelso's br e m Hilarity
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's b e h Chestnut Park
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch e h Bulls Run
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's bl aus g Malmsey
Mr. T. M. Thaddeus' br e g Watch Tower
Mr. F. M. Garda's b e m Lumination
Mr. F. M. Garda's b e g Chobham
Mr. F. M. Garda's br e g The Loaf
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus h Tangaroa
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e m Bushey Dame (4 yrs.)
Mr. G. K's b aus g Socialist
H. H. Jam Saheb's br e g Punt
Mr. P. B. Avasia's bl n a m g Gallileo
Mr. M. Goculdass' b aus g Soult Line, (aged)
Mr. M. Goculdass' b e g Refresher, 14-2
Mr. M. Goculdass' ch e g Forfeit, (aged)
Mr. Heath's b e m Merry Spinner (6 yrs.)
Mr. Heath's b e h Elser, (5 years)

THE STAND PLATE.—Distance—5 furlongs.
Mr. A. J. D'Souza's b aus g Lord Merv, (aged)
Mr. Alp's b e h The Cellarer, (4 years)
Mr. F. M. Garda's ch e m Grevillea
Mr. F. M. Garda's b e g Macann
Mr. F. M. Garda's b e h Silver Memory
Mr. Homi Bilimoria's ch e g Pincher
Mr. J. C. Glstaun's b e g Bonny Boy
Mr. J. C. Glastaun's b e m Cherry Hackle, (4 yrs.)
Mr. J. C. Glastaun's b e m Bushey Dame, (4 yrs.)
Mr. G. K's b aus m Danseuse
Mr. W. Homer's ch aug Ruby Tin, (aged)
Mr. R. S. Forage's b e m Aqueduct, (4 years)
Mr. R. S. Forage's b aus g Chivalry, (6 years)
H. H. Maharajah of Rewah's b aus h Lanceolar, (5 years)
Mr. M. Goculdass' br e m Borgie, 14-2
Mr. M. Goculdass' b aus g Lord Carlyon, (aged)
Mr. M. Goculdass' b e g Picnic, (4 years)

THE COLABA PLATE.—Distance—About 1 1-4 miles.
Mr. Apl's b e h The Cellarer, (4 years)
Zemindar of Silvagiri's bl aus h Black Douglas, (aged)
Zemindar of Silvagiri's b e m Sanhedrin, (5 years)
Mr. A. S. Oomer's ch e g Matiyella
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's b e m Hamara
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch e h Bulls Run
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's b aus g Mil
Mr. T. M. Thaddeus' ch e m Wayward and Wild
Mr. F. M. Garda's br e g The Loaf
Mr. F. M. Garda's br e m Lady Erna
Mr. F. M. Garda's bl e g Bombastic
Mr. R. R. S' br e g Langton, (4 years)
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Britania, (4 years)
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Goldseeker, (4 years)
Mr. G. K.'s ch n am g Coat-of-Arms
Mr. P. B. Avasia's bl n am g Gallileo
Mr. P. B. Avasia's b e g Vancouver
Mr. R. S. Forage's ch e m Bachelor's Belle, (4 years)
Mr. J. Crawford's ch e g Bachelor's Knot, (5 years)
Mr. M. Goculdass' b e g Picnic, (4 years)

THE SIR COWASJEE JEHANGIR PURSE.—Distance—About 1 1-4 mile.
Mr. A. S. Oomer's b a h Braganza
Mr. A. S. Oomer's g a h Well Done
Mr. Yussuff bin Essa's g a h Ghalyum, (5 years)
Mr. R. R. S' ch a h Steward, 14-0
Mr. R. R. S' g a h Regent, (5 years)
Mr. G. K's ch a h Valens, 14-0
Mr. G. K's b a h Parliament
Aga Mirza Ahmed's g a h Burgomaster, (aged)
Mr. Ali bin Talib's g a h Tajilmulook, (6 years)
Mr. Ali bin Talib's ch a h Guinea Gold (6 years)
Mr. Ali bin Talib's ch a h Grand Duke, (6 years)
Mr. Ali bin Talib's b a h Hoosam-el-mulook, (6 years)
Mr. Ali bin Talib's b a h Merrily, (aged)
Mr. J. M. Mistry's ch a h Young Salanie, (aged)
Mr. S. N. Mahomed's b a h Terror, (5 years)
Mr. J. R. Raja's b a h Guinea Merchant, (aged)
Mr. M. Goculdass' ch a h Winchester, 14-0, (aged)
Mr. M. Goculdass' b a h Baloz, 14-0, (4 years)
Messrs. M. Goculdass' and Nanji's ch a h Hachal, (aged)
Messrs. M. Goculdass' and Nanji's b a h Hadee (aged)
Mr. Heath's ch a h Sir Hugo, (6 years)

THE SECOND DEALERS.—Distance—About 1 mile (1 mile scale)
Mr. A. S. Oomer's b a h Royal Standard (5 years)
Mr. A. S. Oomer's ch a h Prithroj, (4 years)
Messrs. Heath and A. S. Oomer's b a h Mafush, 13-3 3-4 (4 years)
Mr. A. S Oomer's b a h Dictator, (5 years)
Mr. Tahar Yunis' b a h Mulhlif, (6 years)
Messrs. Ebrahim Kadam and H. Jamsetji's g a h Imperial Majesty (3 years)
Mr. Abdoola Faras' b a h Baselmulook, (4 years)
Mr. Abdoola Faras' g a h Chrystal, (6 years)
Nawab Taki Khan's ch a h New Governor, (aged)
Mr. Valiji Moosaji's g a h Afag Beg (4 years)
Mr. Ali bin Talib's g a h Ya Nasib, 14-0 (4 years)
Mr. Ali bin Talib's ch a h Galiard, 13,2 3-4 (4 years)
Mr. R. S, Forage's g a h Khalid Beg, 14-0 (4 years)
Mr. Hosein bin Tahar's g a h Matford, 14-0 (6 years)
Mr. Saleh Kharsdi's g. a h Shirsab, (6 years)
Mr. Syed Rashid's b a h Golden Wave, (6 years)
Mr. Naji Syed Hashid's b a h Golden Ducat. (4 yrs.)
Mr. Haji Fatteh Khaderi's b a h Berar
Mr. S. A. Wahed's g a h Moslem, (6 years)
Mr. S. A. Wahed's b a h Red Light, (4 years)
Mr. S. A. Wahed's ch a h English Mail, (6 years)
Mr. Abdul Aziz bin Mahomed's ch a h Lash Out, (4 years)
Mr. Abdul Razak Salim's b a h Beyrut, (4 years)
Dr. D'Avoine and Mr. A. Rahimtula's ch a h Best Chance, 13-3, (5 years)
Mr. A. Nanji's b a h Jais 14-0 (5 years)
Mr. Jessim M. Essa's b a h Royal Visit, (6 years)
Mr. Abdula Mana's ch a h Stright Shot (3 years)
Mr. Salim Abdul Rehman's b a h Yungi Dunya, (3 years)
Mr. M. Goculdass' ch a h Master Bill, 14-0 (5 years)
Mr. Heath's b a h Hercules, (5 years)
Mr. A. R. Tahar's br a h Bustan, (3 years)

THE BEDOUIN PLATE.—Distance—5 furlongs
Mr A S Oomer's b a h Rajput 13-2 1-4
Mr A S Oomer's b a h Electric 13-3 1-4
Mr A S Oomer's g a h Chechan 13,3
Mr A S Oomer's g a h Ashroff 14
Mr R R S' g a h Abdul Malik 13-2 3-4
Mr R R S' ch a h Majesty 13-3
Mr R R S' ch a h Tachreet 13-3 3-4
Mr R R S' ch a h Steward 14
Mr Abdoola Faras' b a h Order 13-2 3-4
Mr. Valiji Moosaji's b a h Turkish General 13-2
Mr Valiji Moosaji's ch a h Gold Day 13-2
Mr Ali bin Talib's b a h Lookman 14
Mr Ali bin Talib's g a h Zoolphokarr 13-3
Messrs R S Forage and F B Saif's g a h Polish 13-2 1-4
Mr A Baker A Rehman's g a h Good Evening 13-2 1-4
Mr Beg's b a h Creditor 13-2 3-4
Mr Beg's ch a h Sharar 13-2 1-2
Mr A J D'Souza's b a h Maasal 13 3 3-4
Mr Lion's g a h Pendil 13-3
Mr M Goculdass' g a h Minerva 13-3
Capt M R K Hodgson's b a g Tofic Pasha 13-3 1-2
Mr Bampfylde's b a h Young Thara 13-3 1-2
Mr Bampfylde's b a h St Anthony 14
Mr Thimble's g a h Fairplay 13-3
Messrs D Mehta and Framjee's bl a h Young Majud 14

THE LILLIPUT HANDICAP PLATE.—Distance—About 7 furlongs.
Mr. A. S. Oomer's g a h Kaharaman, 13-3 3-4
Mr. Faras bin Sanad's b a h Mars, 13-3 3-4
Mr. R. R. S'. g a h Mudkoor, 13-3
Mr. R. R. S'. b a h Red Monk, 13-3 1-2
Mr. R. R. S'. b a h Senseless, 13-3
Mr. Abdoola Fara's ch a h Aurum, 13-2 1-2
Mr. Valiji Moosaji's b a h Turkish General, 13-3
Mr. Waheed's b a h Singer, 13-3 3-4
Mr. Ali bin Talib's ch a h Soomsam, 14-0
Mr. Ali bin Talib's ch a h Regiment, 13-3
Mr. Ali bin Talib's ch a h Chichester, 13-3
Mr. Gold's ch a h Prime Minister, 14-0
Mr. R. S. Forage's g a h Lama, 14-0
Mr. Syed Rashid's g a h Khalas, 13-3 3-4
Mr. J. M. Mistry's ch a h Shihab, 13-2 1-4
Mr. A. W. Essa's b a h Solitaire, 13-3 1-4
Mr. Lion's g a h Pendil, 13-3
Mr. M. Cassum's b a h Sinclair, 13-3 1-2
Mr. M. Goculdass' ch a h Jehangir, 14-0
Mr. M. Goculdass' g a h Sweeden, 13-2 3-4
Mr. M. Goculdass' b a h Burg, 13-2 1-2
Mr. M. Goculdass' Mexico, 13-2 1-2
Mr. Mujeed Jurgis' ch a h Little Laffy, 13-3 1-2
Mr. Bampfylde's b a h Young Thara. 13-3 1-2
Mr. Thimble's b a h Fairplay, 13-3
Mr. Eastwood's g a h Dilkush, 13-3 1-2
Mr. Heath's ch a h Sir Edward, 13-3 1-2

ALL INDIAN HOCKEY TOURNAMENT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 24.

The games in the second round of the All India Hockey Tournament were played here to-day. The game which attracted the largest number of spectators and in which interest was evinced was one between Nani-Tal Volunteers and United Provinces Police. Both teams had enthusiastic backers and the game was fast and exciting from beginning to end. During the first half neither side scored Gabriel, Volunteers goal-keeper, saved on two occasions in grand style. In the second half Naini-Tal scored two goals in quick succession and soon after the Police making a rush succeeded in scoring. Shortly before time was called the Volunteers succeeded in beating the Police backs and cleverly put the ball into the net amid enthusiastic applause. The game thus ended in favour of Naini-Tal Volunteers by three goals to one.

The game between N. W. Railway Volunteers and No. 32 Co, R.G.A. was a one-sided affair and ended in an easy victory for the North Western Railway by the large score of ten goals to one.

The game between East Indian Railway Volunteers and 4th Worcester Regiment, the runners up of last year, was well-contested and resulted in a win for the Worcesters by two goals to nil.

HOCKEY IN THE STADIUM.

In the final round of the Stadium open hockey tournament on Tuesday afternoon the Cheshire Regt. who have been so successful in hockey competitions in Bombay in recent years scored another victory. In this final they had as their opponents the 14th Hussars, and after a hard-fought game, in which the Hussars except for their work near the goal, did better than the score would suggest, they won handsomely by three goals to none.

THE LADIES' CORNER.

PROSPECT AND RETROSPECT.

"No one ever regarded the first of January with indifference . . . . it is the nativity of our common Adam"—so said pleasant Elia, over a century ago. And on "everybody's birthday' we annually look back over the year that is past, and call ourselves to task or indulge in self-congratulation according as our self-examination proves satisfactory or otherwise. But even if to-day's retrospect shows us as individuals that we have fallen short of our ideal self, as a sex, a London lady writes, the past year offers us many reasons for satisfaction. In our social endeavours, at our play, and at our work, we have all of us, whether butterflies or intellectuals, moved further away from Mr. Chesterton's ideal woman, the glorified amateur.

THE SOCIAL YEAR.

The quick social happenings of the Coronation time, its brilliant Courts, its great social functions, the blaze of Royalty from other lands, and the Royal progress of their Majesties through the kingdom, were the most noteworthy events in a year that, in contrast, had some dull moments. The return of the King and Queen from India is eagerly awaited after the informal gaieties of the quiet autumn season, and many brilliant functions are already in the air for the early spring. The consistency with which his Majesty has associated the Queen with him in his public duties for the nation, has been a source of great gratification to English women, who see in this recognition of her Majesty's wisdom and intellect a tribute to the wisdom and intellect of the nation's womanhood. And the guard of honour of young Indian Princes which surrounded her Majesty as she drove in State through the capital of a country where women are a subject race must have brought the hope for those behind the purdah that the British standard of honour towards their sex may presently be adopted as one of their own usages.

AVIATION, SCIENCE, AND ART.

Two women aviators have obtained their pilots' certificates, Mrs. Maurice Hewlett, the wife of the famous novelist, who has a school of aviation at Brooklands and has built a Farman racer, licensed by the Farman Company, at her hanger there, and Mrs. Stocks, the second lady to win the coveted brevet, who flies at Hendon, where she was trained at the Grahame-White school. In science, we have Mme. Curie, who has just won the Nobel Prize—this time entirely for herself—and who earlier in the year was honoured by the presentation of the Albert Medal of our own Royal Society of Arts. The first lady-fellow, Miss Eleanor Devies-Colley, was recently admitted to the Royal College of Surgeons; and during this year also Miss Cleghorn was made first lady president of the National Union of Teachers. In Art, women had many successes, and Miss Williams's victories at Burlington House recently were amongst the noteworthy events of the year.

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THE WEATHER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, Jan. 24.

Disturbed conditions prevail in Persia, but have not yet begun to affect Baluchistan, Light rainfall is reported from the Upper Assam Valley.

Forecast: No precipitation of importance.

BOMBAY DAILY WEATHER REPORT FOR THE 24th OF JANUARY.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Wednesday, the 24th January, 1912, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are clear in the north-west Punjab but light or moderate cloud still persists elsewhere. The air has become drier in the extreme north while it contains the usual amount of moisture over the rest of the division. Maximum temperature is below the average in the south-east Punjab.

The United Provinces.—Skies are moderately to heavily clouded. The moisture in the air is either equal to or slightly above the average. Day temperature is in excess in the eastern districts; night temperature is also higher than usual at Allahabad.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear in upper Sind, heavily clouded in lower Sind and lightly clouded in Rajputana. The average amount of moisture is present in the air. Temperature during day is in defect at Jacobabad and Bikaner.

Gujarat Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded. Humidity is normal or in defect. Temperature is normal except for an excess in the maximum at Neemuch and Ahmedabad.

The Central Provinces.—Skies continue lightly to moderately clouded. Humidity is normal or in excess. Temperature is generally higher than usual.

The Konkan.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded. Humidity and temperature are equal to the average.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded. Humidity is much below the average at most places. Day temperature is normal or in excess; night temperature is also higher than usual at Malegaon and Ahmednagar.

General Remarks.—Weather has been rainless in the reporting area in India but moderate to heavy cloud still persists over the greater portion to the north of latitude 20°. Weather in Sind, the Punjab, Rajputana and the United Provinces is likely to be again disturbed.

A few showers may occur in the extreme north and possibly in the south United Provinces.

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The reading of the barometer at the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 32° F. and for Calcutta standard at 8 a.m. (local time) 24th January, was 30·025 inches. The height of Observatory barometer cistern above zero of the tide gauge at Apollo Bunder is 47 feet. The height of tide in the stream above zero of the tide gauge was 6 feet at 8 a.m. (local time). The temperature correction for a mercurial barometer, supposing the reading to be 30·00 inches and that of the attached thermometer 80 deg. F. will be 14in. and this will be higher or lower by 01 inch for each 4 degrees. In the case of the aneroid no temperature correction is required. Should the height of barometer cistern either mercurial or aneroid above zero of tide gauge be different from 47 feet, it will read higher or lowed by 01 inch for each 11 feet. The readings above are distinct from those given in the daily weather report to which different corrections have been applied.

H. A. ARMSTRONG,
Meteorologist, Bombay.

NEW ARMY AEROPLANE.

Remarkable flights took place on Jan. 1 at Farnborough of a new and perfectly silent aeroplane which has been produced by the aircraft factory from the remains of a Voisin machine presented by the Duke of Westminster. Two flights of about fifteen miles each were made, one with and one without a passenger. The smoke of the factory was blowing horizontally, while the machine was out, but it flew with absolute steadiness.

ARRIVALS.

Per s. s. "Castalia," Jan. 25.

The Anchor Line agents have now received a wireless message from the Castalia, advising that she will arrive here about 9 a. m. to-day and the passengers will be landed at the Ballard Pier by launch on arrival of the ship:—

Aldis, Rev. S.
Aldis, Mrs.
Aldis, Master J.
Andrews, Miss I. M.
Buckley, Mrs. M. A.
Clephan, Miss
Buncan, Miss
Greenfield, Dr. Miss C. R.
Hampson, Mr. J.
Hampson, Mrs.
Harcourt, Mrs. and infant
Hough, Mr. J. R.
Nicholls, Mrs. G. E. and 2 infants
Page, Miss
Parry, Miss
Rowat, Mr. M.
Wilson, Miss
Tyson Wolff, Mrs. H. L.
Young, Capt. G. J. C.
Young, Mrs.

Per s. s. "Egypt," Jan. 26.

The P. and O. Co's mail steamer "Egypt" with the English mails of the 12th instant, is expected in Bombay harbour at 6 a. m. on Friday, brings the following passengers :—

LONDON TO BOMBAY.

Cobban, Mr J Mrs
Campbell, Mr A A Mrs and infant
Lister, Mr E A C and Mrs
Burt, Mr W S
Boyle, Mr R
Taylor, Mr B F Mrs
Woodward, Mr F J
Mrs Campbell's governess (Fleming)
Utting, Mrs
Grant, Revd A C
Murdoch, Revd W L
Hunter, Miss
Mac Donald, Mrs W C and infant
Fothergill, Miss
Brikett, Miss
Johnson, Miss C M
Brander, Mrs M E
Mather, Miss
Penn, Mr and Mrs W
Hickey, Mrs Miss and child
Baker, Mr T A and Mrs
Wyer, Miss M
Allan, Mr A
Viney, Mr J E
Baker, Miss
Hutchinson, Miss M T
Pratt, Mrs
Crosby, Mr A and Mrs
Weir, Miss J
Sargent, Mrs A E E and infant
Greenhalgh, Miss
Hermon, Miss N C
Foote, Miss A W
Wilson, Mr A
Stevenson, Dr J Mrs and child
Rowley, Mr R O
Olive, Miss
Dixon, Mr A
Ainsworth, Mr T
Moses, Mr G C Mrs infant and child
Lang, Mr B
Jones, Mr H G

MARSEILLES TO BOMBAY.

Bowen, Mr Mrs and child
Moore, Mr J
Uzielli, Mr C F
Morison, Lt D M
Vernon, Mr C V
Crighton, Mr C
Brutton, 2 Misses
Forward, Mr A
Kaye, Mr L
Stewart, Mr H A Mrs
F Gordon, Mr W M
Chinoy, Mr D N Mrs
Wills, Mr C J and Miss
Durgeon, Miss M F
Hilkes, Mr G
Hodgkin, Dr Mrs
Sunting, Mr S A
Carter, Miss H R
Shannon, Mrs
Hill, Mr A R Mrs and Miss
Arthur, Mr G C
Collingridge, Mr H
Batty, Mr Mrs and infant
Whitaker, Mr S S
Burton, Miss T
Shaw, Revd C L
Boger, Mr A J and Mrs
Bune, Mr and Mrs
Dangerfield, Mrs
Sladen, Dr R J L and Mrs
Bardist, Mr G S and Miss
Danby, Mr E C Mrs A L and Miss
Hoghton, Mr H E
Park, Mr N G
Meyer, Maj J L
Sehmuck, Miss
Currie, Mr H
Craig, Mr H A
Roberts, Mr H T
Pound, Mr J B
Thompson, Mr O H
Kinison, Mr J A
Finlay, Mr J
Fontirraig, Mr J
Frank, Mr K A and Mrs
Klopp, Mr C
Borlon, Mr A E
McEwen, Mr
Mc Gee, Mr
Frank, Mr N
Jameson, Mr A S
Hill, Mr E R
Mann, Mr R
Bonnard, Mr H
Berard, Mr C
Udams, Mrs R A
Morgan, Capt M H L
Cox, Miss
St Ledgers, Lady A (Miss J Salenave), maid
Chapman, Mrs
Gibbs, Miss B maid
Blumenaver, Mr H P
Keenholts, Mr W S
Track, Mr E
Clark, Mr A R
Ray, Dr
Willes, Lady A and Miss
Hormast, Mr N
Bhungara, Mr J S
Slewant, Mr B B
Desai, Mr S
Bhatt, Mr C L N
Taylor, Mr R
Mills, Mr J N and Mrs

BRINDISI TO BOMBAY.

Winter, Mr A
Leslie, Mr N U K

PORT SAID TO BOMBAY.

Ruli Rowski, Mme T de
Chuzanowska, Mlle O de

LONDON TO KARACHI.

Jocelyne, Mr A H Mrs and 2 infants
Shah, Mr A M
Waite, Mr G Mrs and infant
Waller, Mr E U W
Longden, Mrs A E (Miss Terry), nurse and infant
Mrs Josselyne's ayah

MARSEILLES TO KARACHI.

Mactier, Mr L
Kenyon, Mr G Mrs
Whale, Mr A G
Campbell, Maj Ian
Moore, Capt H D Mrs

DEPARTURES.

Per s.s. "Vorwaerts," Jan. 25.

The following is the list of passengers proceeding to China and Japan via intermediate ports, per Austrian Lloyd's s.s. Vorwaerts" to-day from the Victoria Dock No. 8. The medical inspection of the saloon passengers will take place at the Victoria Dock Shed No. 8 at 11-30 a.m. Deck passengers and native servants must be present at the Port Health Disinfecting Station, Frere Road, near Prince's Dock, with all their luggage and kit, at 10 a. m. sharp.

Blucher von, Mr. C.
Brauer, Dr. M.
Bhagomal, Mr.
Des Tours, Count Walderode.
Elliott, Mr. W.
Forman, Mr. C. L.
Gidumal, Mr.
Gunamal Mr.
Hartenbach Dr.
Heckman, Mr. and Mrs.
Hilprecent, Mrs. H. V.
Hilprecht, Miss.
Mocklejon, Mr. J. H.
Robinson, Mr. W. A.
Tejumal, Mr.
Horazisky Count, R.
Zorowetz, Mr. and Mrs.

SUN, MOON AND TIDES AT BOMBAY.

The following are the hours, and heights of the tides in Bombay Harbour, during the ensuing week. Hours stated in Bombay Mean Time; depth of water as at Prince's Dock sill :—

HIGH WATER. Day of Week.	Day of Month.		Bombay Mean Time. h m	Depth on Sill. ft. in.	LOW WATER. Day of Month.		Bombay Mean Time. h m	Depth on Sill. ft. in.
	Jan.		h m	ft. in.	Jan.		h m	ft. in.
M	22	m	1 9	28 9	22	m	7 17	18 9
		a	1 3	26 1		a	6 48	16 7
TU	23	m	1 35	28 6	23	m	7 45	18 7
		a	1 37	26 1		a	7 16	17 1
W	24	m	2 3	28 2	24	m	8 15	18 6
		a	2 13	25 10		a	7 45	17 10
TH	25	m	2 33	27 9	25	m	8 49	18 4
		a	2 53	25 7		a	8 20	18 10
F	26	m	3 6	27 2	26	m	9 33	18 3
		a	3 47	25 2		a	9 6	19 11
S	27	m	3 43	26 7	27	m	10 15	18 1
		a	4 53	24 11		a	10 8	21 0
S	28	m	4 30	25 11	28	m	11 17	17 10
		a	6 16	25 0		a	11 30	21 1

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time, during the ensuing week :—

	Sunrise		Sunset	
Jan. 22 (Monday)	Sunrise	7h 15m	Sunset	6h 25m
" 23 (Tuesday)	"	7h 15m	"	6h 26m
" 24 (Wednesday)	"	7h 15m	"	6h 27m
" 25 (Thursday)	"	7h 15m	"	6h 27m
" 26 (Friday)	"	7h 15m	"	6h 28m
" 27 (Saturday)	"	7h 15m	"	6h 29m
" 28 (Sunday)	"	7h 14m	"	6h 29m

Phases of the Moon.—First Quarter Jan. 27th, 2h. 21-4m p.m.; Full Moon, Feb. 3d, 5h. 28-1m. a. m.; Last Quarter, 10th. 6h. 20-9m. a.m.; New Moon, 18th, 11h. 14-1m. a.m.

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ST. CLOUD AND ITS GARDENS.

M. Maurice Barres is heading a movement of protest against the desecration of the St. Cloud Gardens by a power-station, which the State Railway threatens to erect there. They certainly deserve a better fate for they were laid out by the great architectural gardener Lenotre, and the ruins of the palace destroyed by the guns of Mont Valerien during the siege abound in historical associations. Louis XIV. bought the property for his brother Philippe d'Orleans, and Egalite who had inherited it sold it to Marie-Antoinette for six million francs in 1785. It was there that Napoleon contrived the coup d'etat which made him First Consul and there that he married Marie Louise. It was there again that Charles X. abdicated, and there finally that Napoleon III. signed the declaration of war against Prussia on July 17, 1870.

THE LATE PRINCIPAL DYKES.

By the death of Dr. Oswald Dykes a once prominent personality in the world of English Presbyterianism disappears from the scene. When the eloquent Dr. Hamilton, minister of Regentsquare Church, was dying, he said: "I am not anxious about Regent-square; God will surely send a man after His own heart." The man arrived in 1869, in the person of the preacher, then in his early thirties, who, as Dr. Oswald Dykes, was for nearly twenty years one of the prominent men of the London pulpit, his sermons the joy of the large congregation of expatriated Scots who gave continuity in Dissent to the church that had been built in Regent-square for the ill-starred Edward Irving.

CARLYLE AND THE PREACHER.

Dr. Dykes could always draw a crowded congregation, for as preacher he had few rivals, and his published sermons are among the most polished of our generation. It is said that in 1869, Carlyle, an old man of seventy-four then, consented to accompany a friend to hear the new young minister. As they moved away from the church after the service, Carlyle, on being asked for his opinion of the preacher, replied: "That young man, if he had ought to say, could say it." Such a remark was characteristic of the Sage, but others thought Dykes had always a good deal to say that helped men and women in their daily trials and struggles, and many will remember him with esteem and even affection.

THE FIRST FEMALE ACTOR.

The 3rd of the present month is an important anniversary in the development of the British drama, for upon this date in 1661, Pepys went to the Clare Market Theatre, saw the "Beggar's Bush" well performed, and records, "the first time that I ever saw women come upon the stage." Previously all female parts had been taken by boys or young men. The change was probably suggested by Charles II. from his Continental experience, and arose from an amusing episode. The King had gone, to the theatre "before his time," and, finding the actors not ready, asked for an explanation; whereupon he was gravely informed that "the queen had not shaved yet"! As the Merry Monarch loved to laugh at a jest as well as to make one, the excuse was accepted, and a reform initiated.

A NOTTS LITERARY FIND.

We learn from the "Nottingham Guardian," that a very interesting and remarkable discovery of illuminated MSS. and early printed books, ranging as far back as 1480, has just been made in the library at Oxton Hall. It came about in this way. The vicar of the parish, the Rev. W. Laycock, obtained permission to go through the books in the library at his leisure. While so doing his curiosity was aroused by a locked and forgotten cupboard therein, which he proceeded to investigate. Its contents proved to be between forty and fifty volumes, which confirmed the impression conveyed by the antiquity of their appearance that they belonged to the very earliest stage of the art of printing, which was introduced into this country in 1474.

FOLIO VOLUMES IN ORIGINAL BINDINGS.

The majority of them are folio volumes, and with one exception they are all in their original bindings. The covers are carefully planed boards of solid oak and the books are bound with stout leather laces, the backing and lining being fragments of illuminated MSS. of a much earlier date, cut up as waste with a ruthless indifference. They have suffered inevitably from the effect of time and decay, and in some measure from rough handling, as certain volumes are imperfect. In many instances the blank pages have been scribbled in, as was common when paper was scarce. The bulk of them containing the signature of "Cuthbert Sherbrooke," who was apparently the vicar of the parish of Rockland, in the diocese of Norwich, and lived in the time of Philip and Mary. It is understood that the treasures will find their way to the sale room. The British Museum authorities have selected from the list a dozen of them which they wish to see.

DEVELOPMENTS IN LOCOMOTIVES.

The past year has been a remarkable one in the annals of our railways not only for strikes but for new developments in engines. Nearly all our big railway companies, according to the supplement of the "Manchester Guardian," have been building new types of engines and perfecting the old types. The chief feature, says our contemporary, is that considerable strikes have been made in the adoption of superheating, which in the case of several of the great lines now appears to have passed the experimental stage. Among the most powerful engines that are now being built are the 4—4—2 express passenger locomotives of the North-Eastern Railway, the Great Central's 2—8—0 locomotives for mineral traffic, and the London and North-Western 4—4—0 express passenger engines, the first of which was called "Coronation."

IMPROVEMENTS IN COACHES, &c.

The most notable improvement that has been made in passenger coaches are the new fifty-six bogie coaches on the Great Central, which are made of varnished teak with the match-boarding style of sides instead of the usual panelling, the numerals being in raised metals. Mention should also be made of the new bogie observation car built by the London and North-Western Railway to run between Llandudno and the Blaenau Festiniog. Nearly every American train has its observation car, with its wide windows, and it is strange that there are not more of this type on English railways. Another feature of American railways—the typewriter and the handy library of reference books and novels—is still lacking on most of our English railways.

ESCAPES FROM GERMAN PRISONS.

About a dozen precedents for the escape of Captain Lux from his German prison can be found in the history of the Franco-German war; and a large proportion of the heroes of them lived to become famous. A notable case was that of General (then Colonel) Saussier, ultimately commander-in-Chief of the French Army, who was detained at Graudenz, in the extreme east of Prussia. It is said that he put his bolster to bed instead of himself, hid in an obscure corner of the fortress until nightfall, and then, having obtained a disguise by the help of his orderly, was allowed to walk out of the main prison gate. He crossed the frontier to Poland, and returned to France by way of Austria and Italy.

OTHER CASES.

General Zurlinden was another prisoner who got out of his prison, at Glogan, in Silesia, on Christmas Eve. He made his way, in disguise, through Berlin, Frankfort, and Carlsruhe, to Basle; a feat which was not difficult for him as, being an Alsatian, he spoke German quite as well as his gaolers. Thirdly we may note the experiences of M. Paul Deroulede, who escaped from Breslau, and it is piquant to recall that that vehement Anti-Semite did not disdain to to disguise himself as a Polish Jew. He was very nearly betrayed by a peasant whom he had bribed to guide him into Bohemia; but he drew his knife with a ferocious gesture, and the peasant changed his mind, with the result that M. Deroulede saw the final fights of the war as a sub-lieutenant of Turcos.

THE TWO SERVICES.

FLAG OFFICER'S RETIREMENTS.

Owing to the fact that conditions irrespective of age govern the retirement of flag officers, it is impossible to forecast accurately the number of vacancies that will be created during 1912. A study of the ages of officers of flag rank on the active list makes it possible, however, to state that three will be five compulsory retirements from this cause during the year, viz.: Admiral of the Fleet Sir Arthur Wilson, on March 4; Admiral Sir Lewis Beaumont, May 19; Admiral Sir G. L. Atkinson Willes, July 13; Admiral Sir Arthur Moore, July 30; and Admiral Sir Reginald Custance, September 20. Rear-Admirals H. C. Kingsford and S. G. Shorthand, if still unemployed will also complete their connection with the active list on May 10 and December 4 respectively, while there is still the case of Rear-Admiral H. P. Williams, Naval Adviser to the Ottoman Government, whose retirement last October would, no doubt, have taken effect but for Turkey being in a state of war. The retirement of Sir Arthur Wilson will not create a vacancy owing to his having been promoted Admiral of the Fleet, additional by a special Order in Council. Sir Lewis Beaumont's retirement will cause a vacancy as First and Principal Aide-de-Camp to the King, and Sir Arthur Moore's will result in a change in the Portsmouth command which, unless a home command becomes vacant in the meantime, will be filled by Vice-Admiral Sir George Le Clerc Egerton, the late Second Sea Lord.

TO-DAY'S FLAG CHANGES.

Two flag changes in the Home Fleet took place in mail week. From the appointment of Fourth Sea Lord, Rear-Admiral Charles Madden hoisted his flag for the first time as Rear-Admiral of the First Battle Squadron, which means that he will be directly responsible for a homogeneous group of eight battleships of the Dreadnought type. The appointment of a Rear-Admiral to the First Battle Squadron has raised the suggestion that the organisation of the Home Fleet might be improved by making this a Vice-admiral's command, so as to enable the Commander-in Chief to detach himself more from this division which, under the existing arrangement is more particularly in his eye than the Second and Third Divisions, at the head of each of which there is a Vice-Admiral of Acting Vice-Admiral. As it is, the two-last named divisions see comparatively little of the Commander-in Chief except when the fleet is brought together as a whole for exercises. The other flag change referred to is the replacement of Rear-Admiral R. B. Farquhar in the Devonport sub-division by Rear-Admiral H. L. Tottenham, who has had to wait since April, 1910, to hoist his flag. The whole of the newly-appointed flag officers in the Home Fleet will shortly be brought together for the first time at sea under the supreme command of Admiral Sir Francis Bridgeman.

RAPIDITY OF HEAVY GUN FIRE.

The results of last year's heavy gunlayers' tests and battle-practice competitions of the British fleet, which are due in the early weeks to the current year, will provide data by means of which a comparison, very interesting to naval gunnery experts, can be made. We shall then have before us the most up-to-date rate of fire that is achieved from the 12-inch guns of our Dreadnoughts and super-Dreadnoughts which can be placed beside the number of rounds per minute fired from the 13·5-inch weapons of the Orion. The point of this comparison will be appreciated when we remember the difference between the amounts of metal delivered from one broadside of the primary guns of the two types of armament. If the rate of fire from the 13.5-inch guns approximates very closely to that of the 12-inch, the great superiority of the Orion over her elder sisters is obvious. The secrets of the former's gunnery trials were well kept, but it is believed that the modifications introduced into the loading and turret training apparatus of this vessel proved to be eminently satisfactory, and so, in all probability, the rate of fire from her turret guns was little, if any, inferior to that obtained in her immediate predecessor, the Neptune. The loading arrangements of British battleships during the last decade have been one of their most successful features, and have given them an advantage over all their foreign contemporaries. So much has this been the case that some of our naval rivals have abandoned their own loading apparatus to copy ours.

THE PORTUGUESE ARMY.

The Portuguese Republican Government recently reduced the term of compulsory service with the colours to four months for infantry and eight months for mounted corps. Under the new law 46,000 recruits were to join in December, but as the public founds are at present insufficient to pay for their keep, the medical officers were ordered to reject sufficient men to bring the total down to 35,000. As all rejected youths have to pay a fine for inefficiency, they will contribute to the maintenance of the healthier ones, and so encourage the improvement of the national physique. The methods of a new Government, unhampered by the traditions of their predecessors, are always interesting to watch. In this instance it is perhaps significant that the German newspapers are discussing the partition of the Portuguese colonies.

THE ITALIAN ARMY MANŒUVRES.

Since the Italian Army have taken the field in earnest, the report on their 1911 manœuvres has attracted but little attention. Still it embodies many points of interest. In spite of the abnormally hot weather, the marching was excellent, and on one occasion an advanced guard of five battalions, one squadron, and three batteries, covered forty three and a-half miles within twenty-four hours, and was in good fighting condition at the end of the march. The casualties were only 1·5 per cent. of the force, which compares favourably with French and German results, and is only slightly inferior to the record of our own regular troops at the recent manœuvres. Two airships and twelve aeroplanes were employed, and gave most valuable information.

JAPANESE VIEWS ON ARTILLERY.

A Japanese officer has been writing to the Monatshefte to criticise the new German regulations for field artillery fire. These lay down that the battery is to find a bracket of 100 metres, and then to fire at three elevations differing by 50 metres till the best can be selected. The Japanese officer considers that, on the experience of the late war, these limits are too narrow for service conditions, when accurate ranging is exceedingly difficult, and that they may lead to the target being missed altogether. The Russians use a bracket of 120 metres, but even this is said to give some 35 per cent. of "false brackets." He proposes to form a bracket of as much as 200 metres, and to commence fire for effect at three elevations differing by 100 metres. We use a 50 yards bracket, and fire for effect at a single elevation. It is a matter for consideration whether our procedure, which has been developed to suit practise camp conditions, is that best adapted for war. It would appear desirable to introduce a more rough-and-ready system, if only for the benefit of our Territorial gunners, who are less highly trained than our Regulars and have a less powerful weapon.

A NEW RIFLE SIGHT.

A German oculist, Dr. Schanz, of Dresden, has invented a new rifle sight which is attracting considerable attention abroad. The Doctor points out that with the ordinary sights it is impossible to form sharp visual images of the backsight notch and foresight simultaneously. He therefore does away with the backsight altogether, and fixes a mirror below the foresight, which reflects to the eye the image of a bright silver knob on the barrel. Since the knob appears to the rifleman to be only slightly further distant than the foresight, it is easy to bring both foresight, and knob into line with the target. The knob is screened from the eye of the marksman, only its reflection being visible. The sighting elevation is given by raising and lowering the knob. A further advantage of the system is that the knob can be readily illuminated by a tiny glow land for night firing. It is stated that the metal mirror is unaffected by rain or sunshine, and can be freed from dust in a moment by wiping it with the thumb.

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